

BEN REILLY:

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THE SPIDER SPIDER



Years ago, Miles Warren, one of Peter Parker's college professors, stole a sample of Peter's genetic material and used it to create a perfect clone of Spider-Man. With all of Peter's memories, the clone fled. Created, not born, and without an identity of his own, he gave himself a new name and made his own way in the world as...



BEN REILLY:

THE SCARLET SPIDER

Following a misguided turn as a super villain, BEN REILLY has made a home for himself in Las Vegas and has become SCARLET SPIDER once more.

In an effort to heal his damaged soul following a dire prediction from Lady Death, Ben has been helping CASSANDRA MERCURY, owner of the Mercury Rising casino, by attempting to heal Cassandra's sick daughter, ABIGAIL, and rebuilding bridges between himself and fellow clone KAINE PARKER.

Repairing his relationship with his "brother" may prove useful sooner than expected, as Cassandra hired MISTY BECK – daughter of the seemingly reformed MYSTERIO – to perform a magic trick: making her casino disappear!

Shockingly, Misty's trick worked – only a little too well! She sent Mercury Rising and its occupants straight into the Darkforce Dimension!

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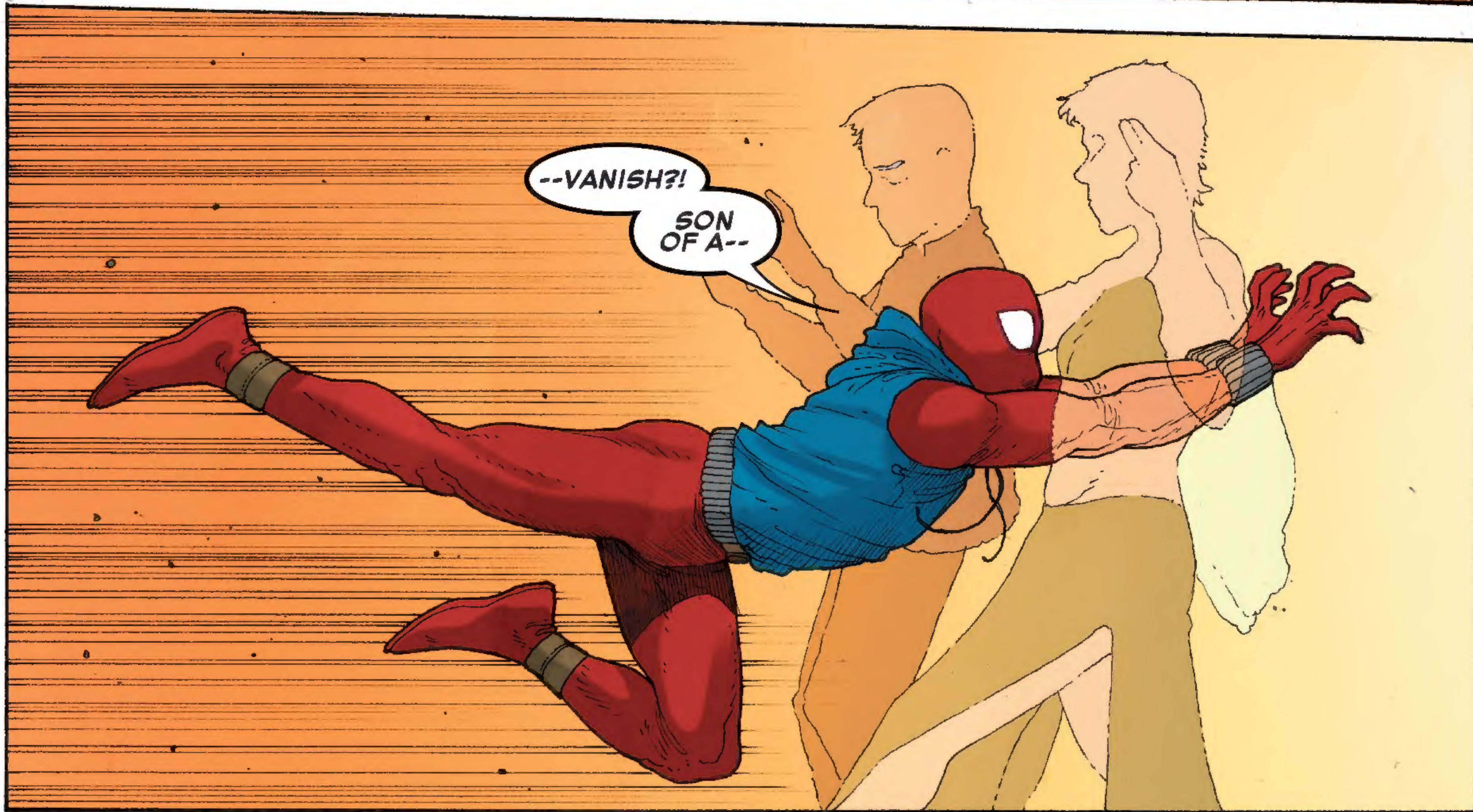
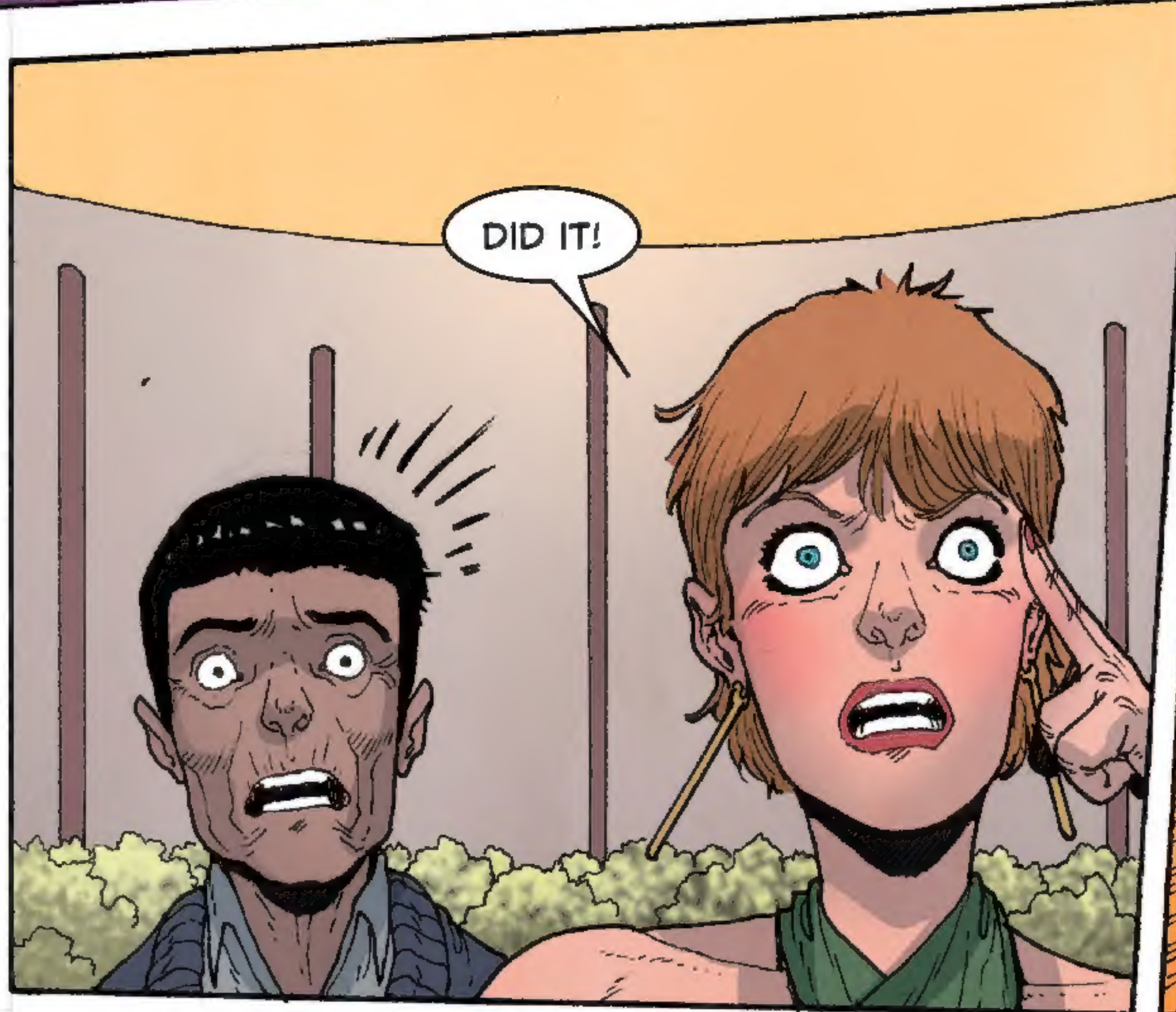
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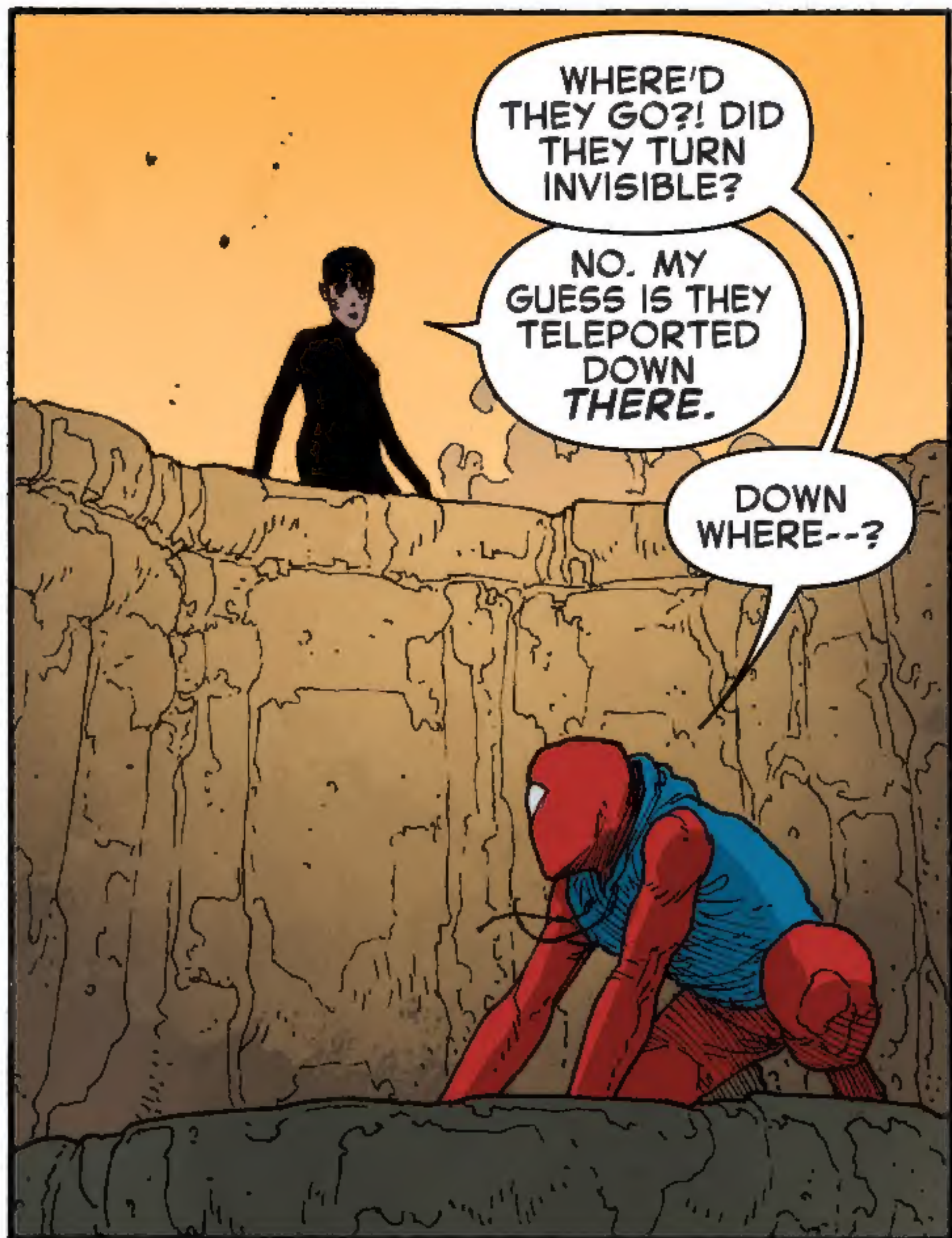
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WHERE'D THEY GO?! DID THEY TURN INVISIBLE?

NO. MY GUESS IS THEY TELEPORTED DOWN THERE.

DOWN WHERE--?



OH. THOSE... THOSE LOOK LIKE HORNS.

THAT'S BECAUSE THEY ARE HORNS.

LIKE, THE DEVIL'S HORNS? ARE WE DEALING WITH MEPHISTO AGAIN?



NO. JUDGING BY THE MARK, IT'S A BEING CALLED CYTTORAK.

HE'S EITHER A GOD OR A DEMON, DEPENDING ON WHICH SIDE YOUR PROCLIVITIES LIE.

DOCTOR STRANGE IS ALWAYS TALKING ABOUT THE "CRIMSON BANDS" OF CYTTORAK.



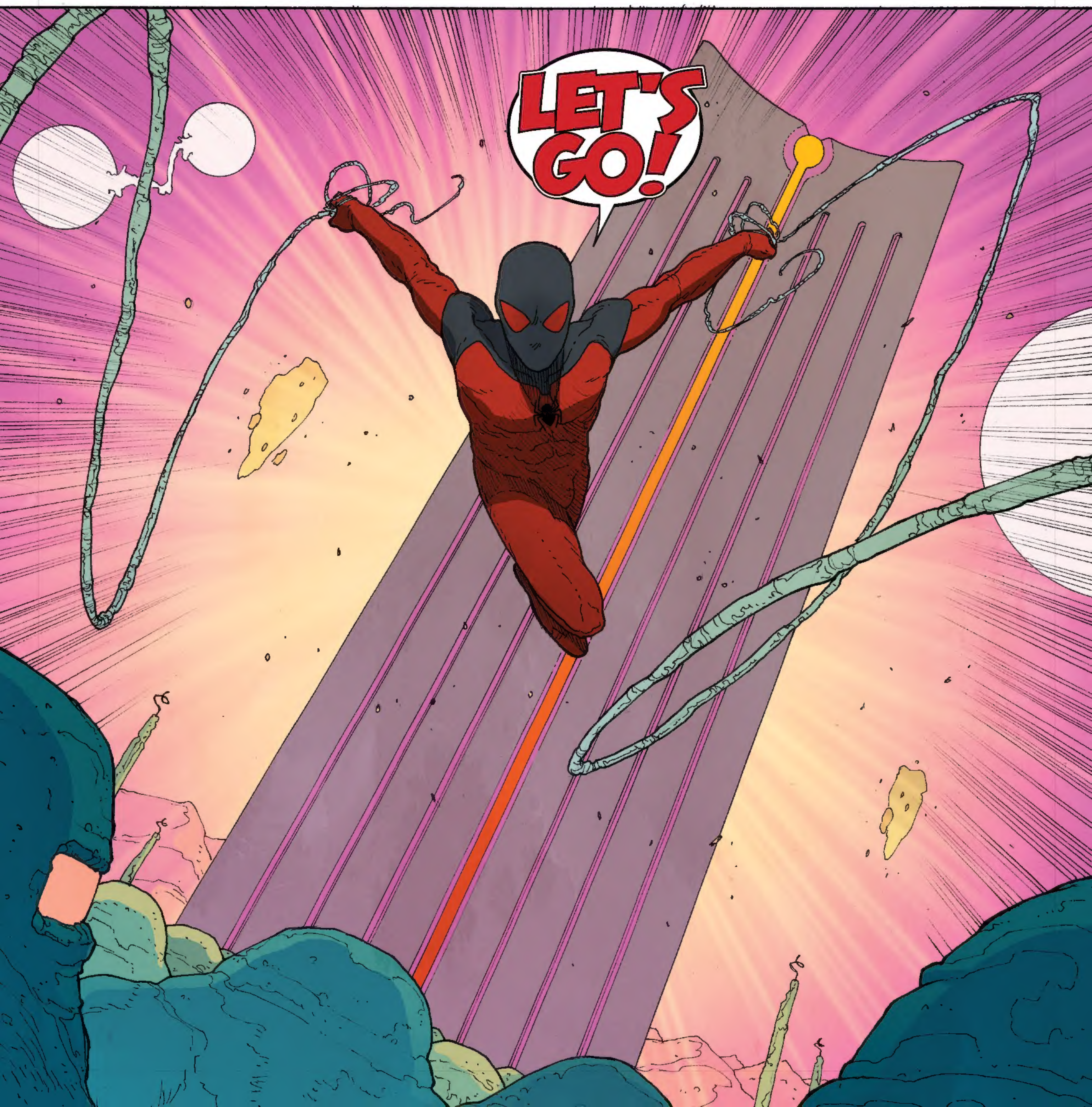
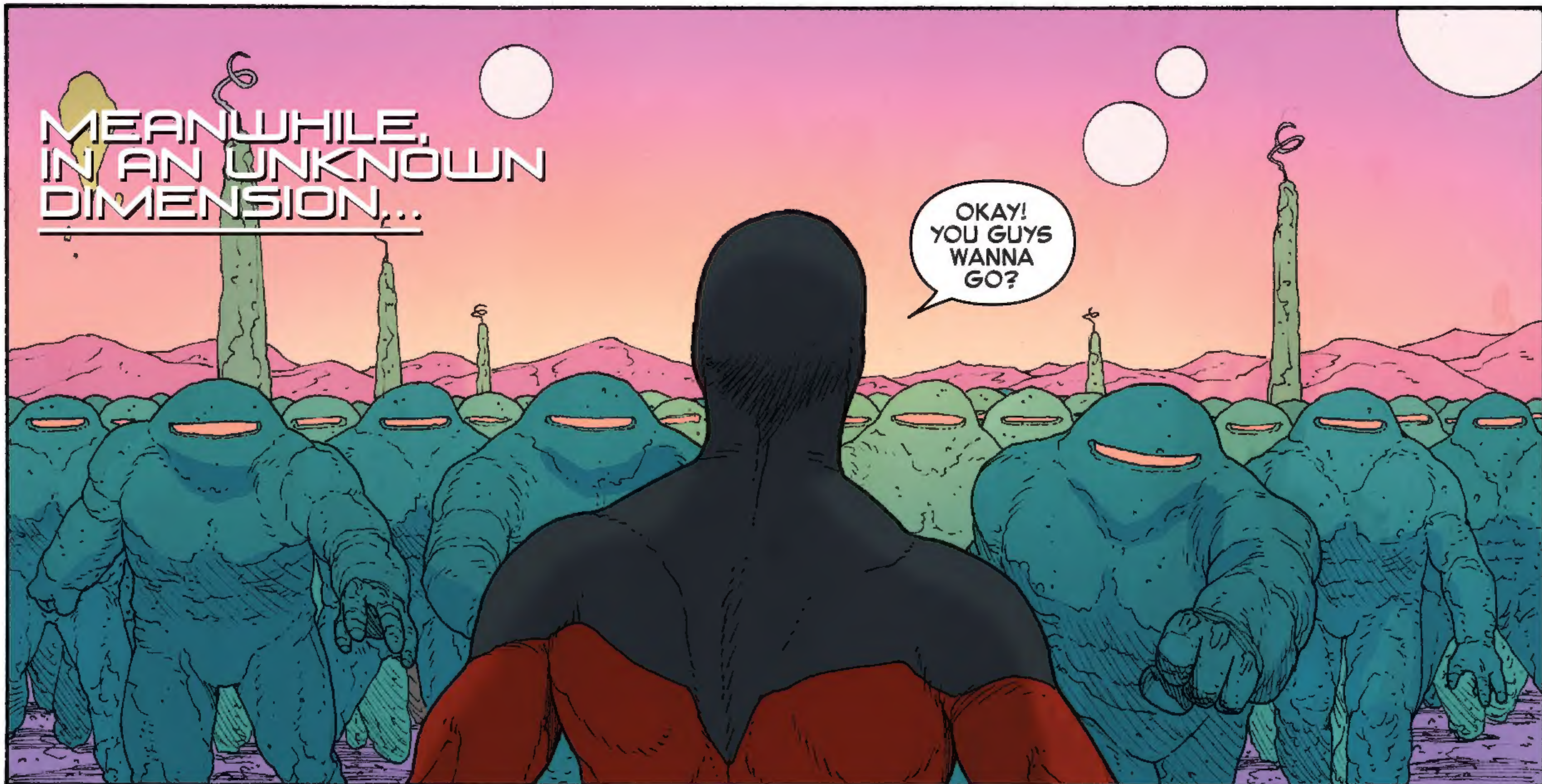
HUNH. I ALWAYS THOUGHT THAT WAS A MUSICAL GROUP.

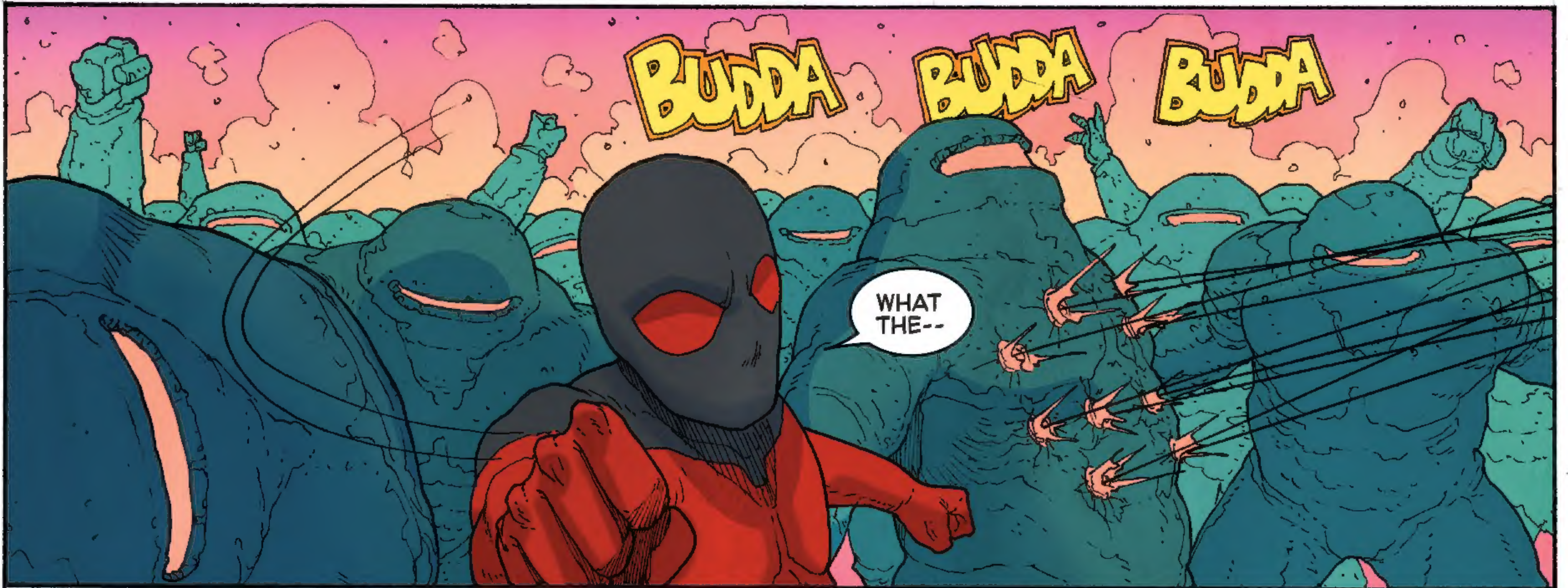
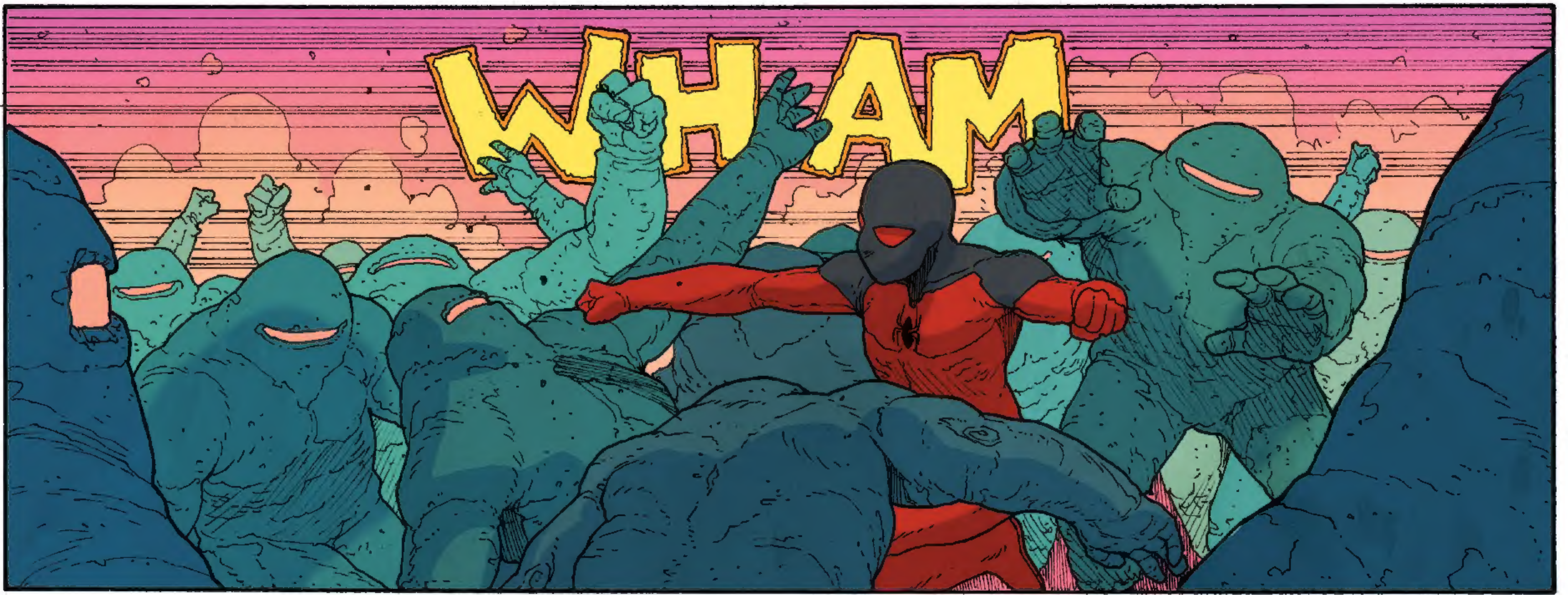


GO LIMP.

WHAT? WHAT'RE YOU--







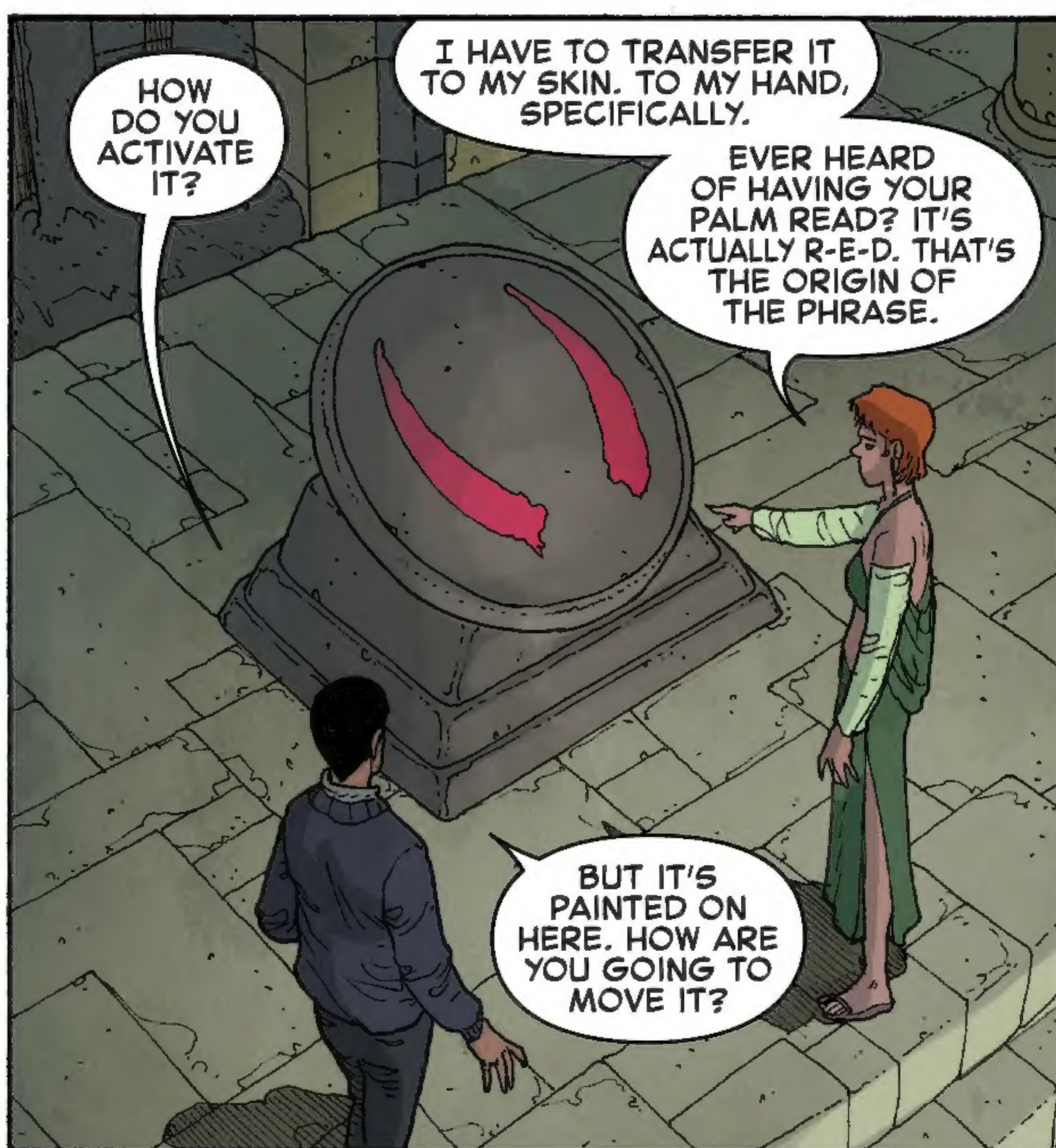
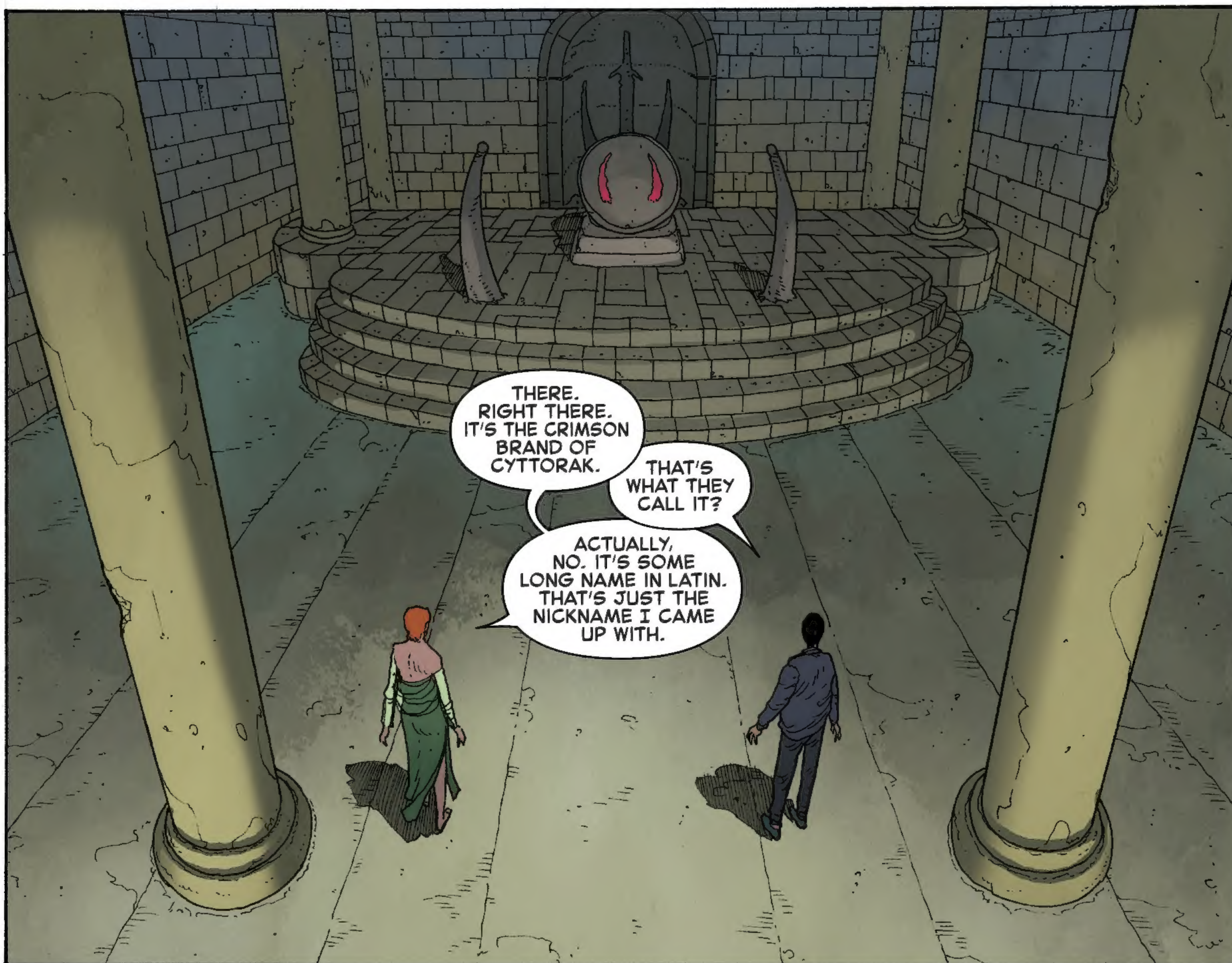
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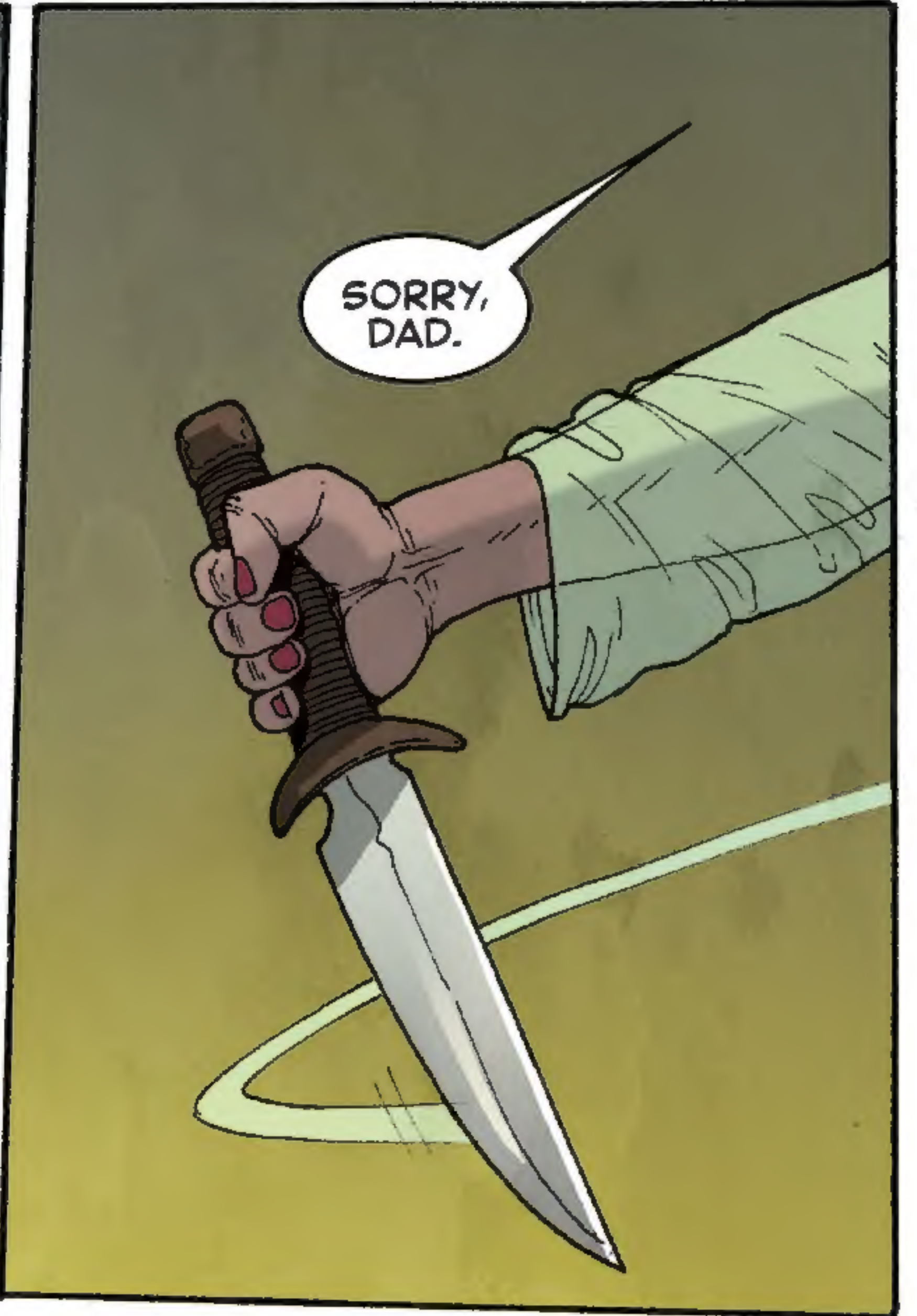
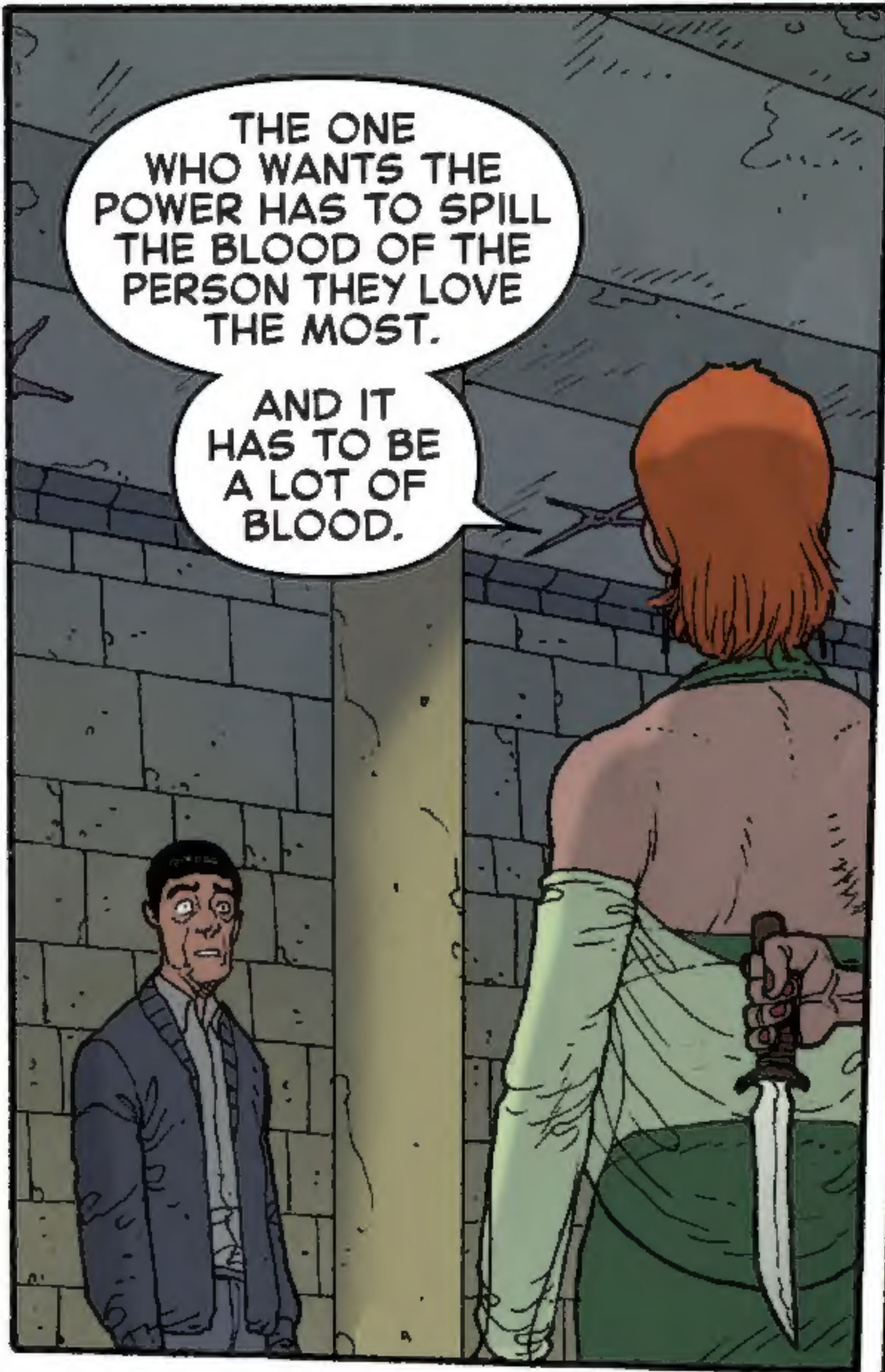
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THE MERCURY
RISING TOWER WAS
CONSTRUCTED--

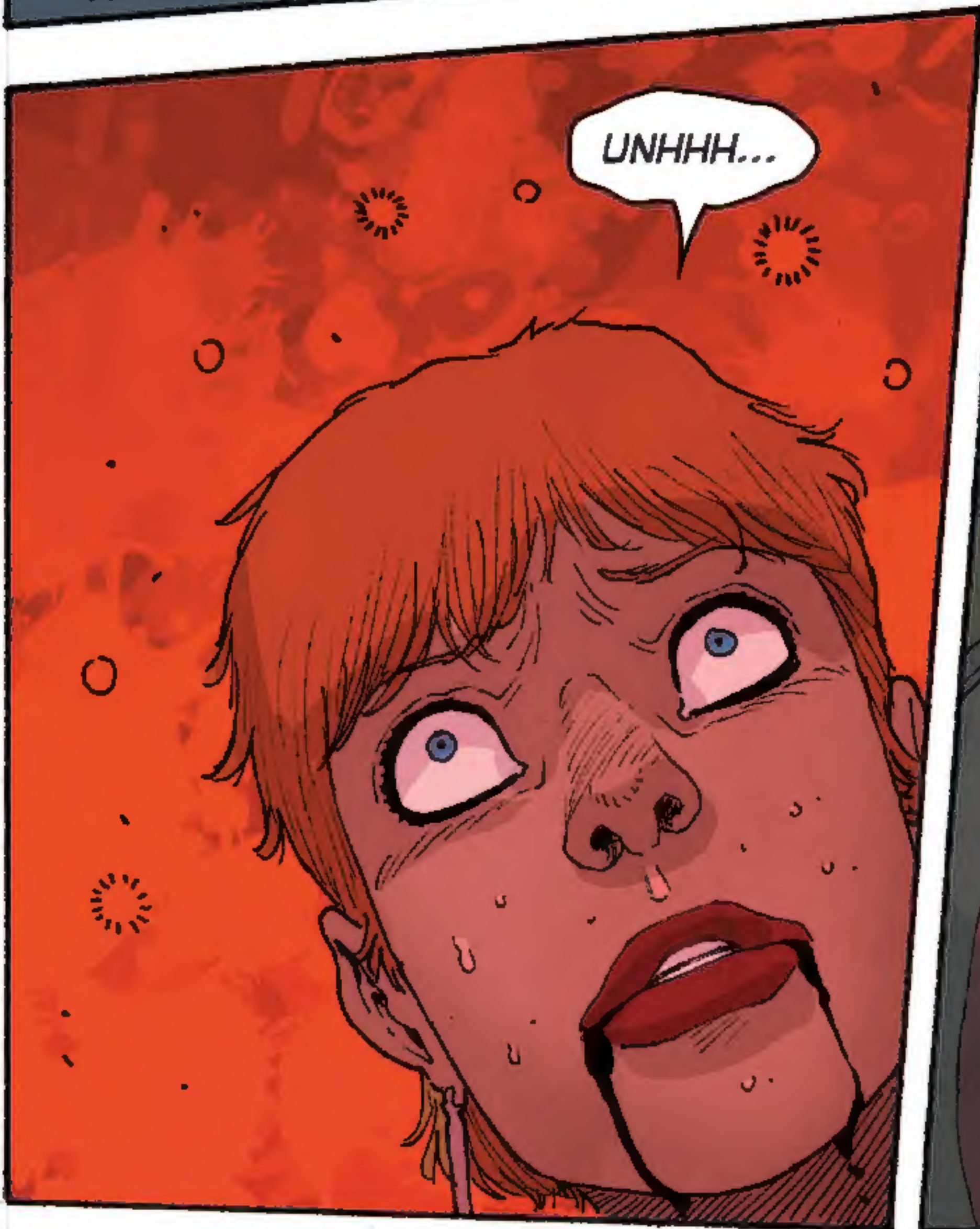
THEY HAD
NO IDEA THAT
THEY WERE BUILDING
ON TOP OF AN
ANCIENT SITE OF
WORSHIP.

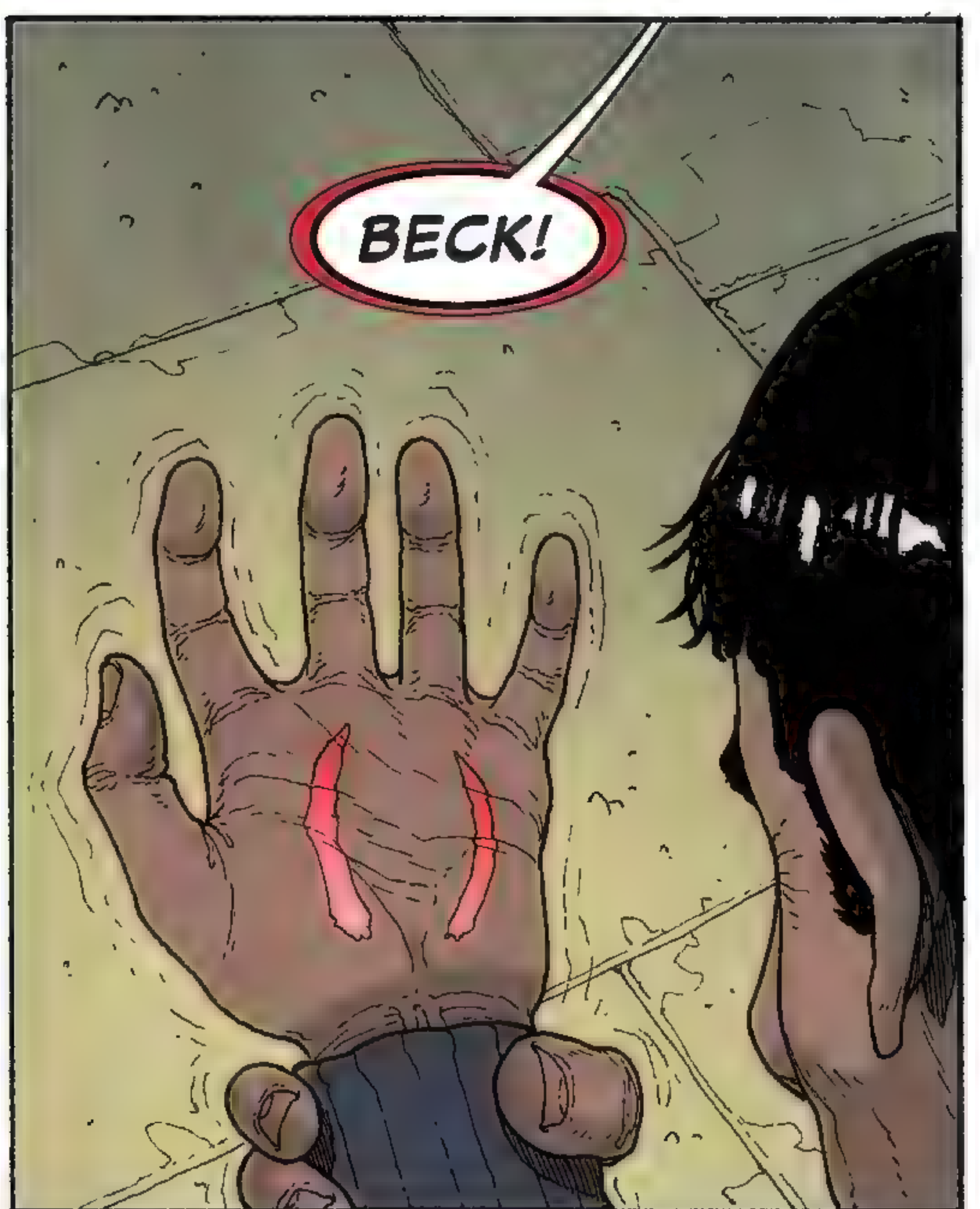
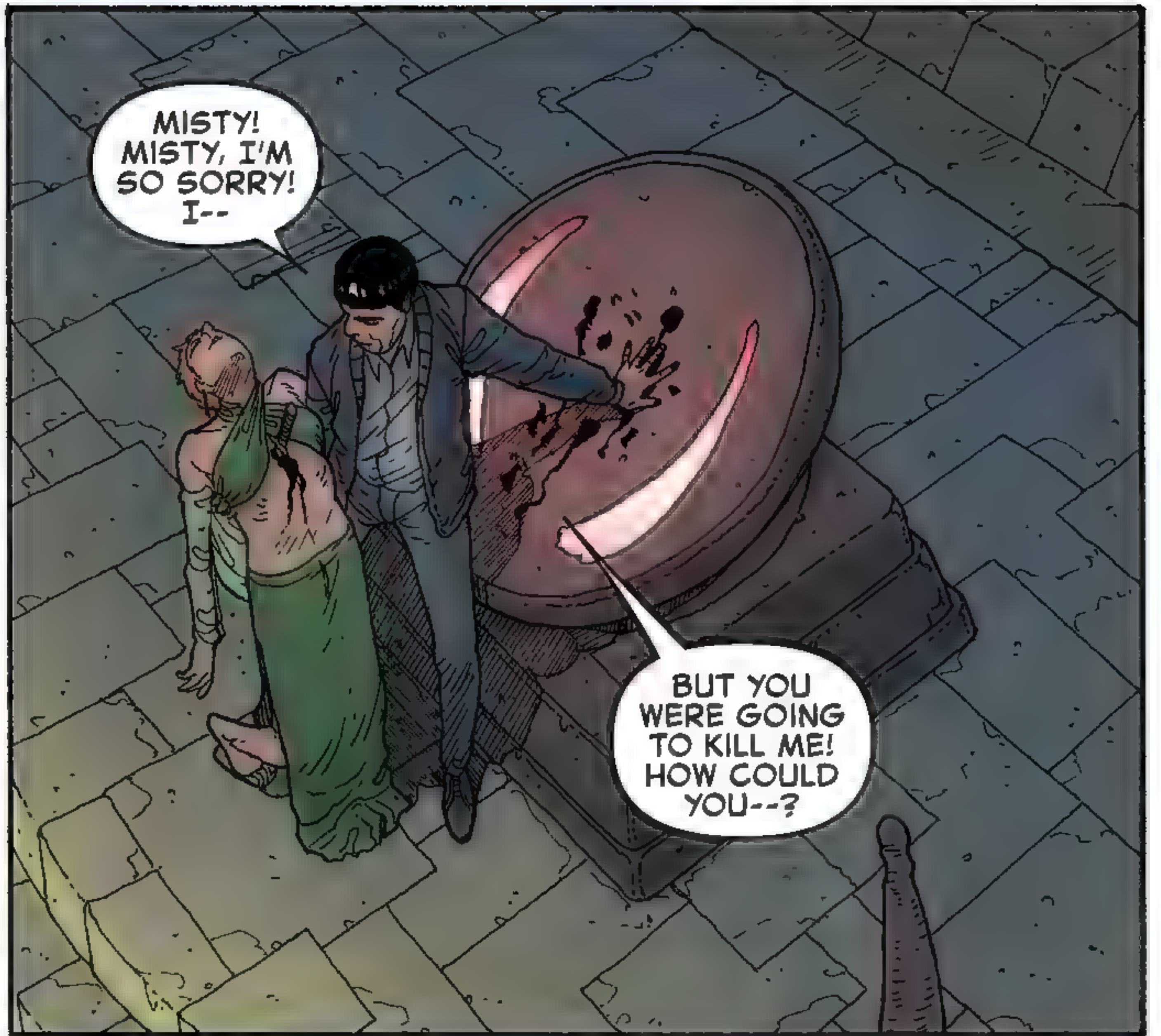
THAT'S WHY I
HAD TO GET RID OF
IT. THE TRANSFERENCE
SPELL ONLY WORKS
IF YOU'RE STANDING
IN THE OBJECT'S
**IMMEDIATE
VICINITY.**

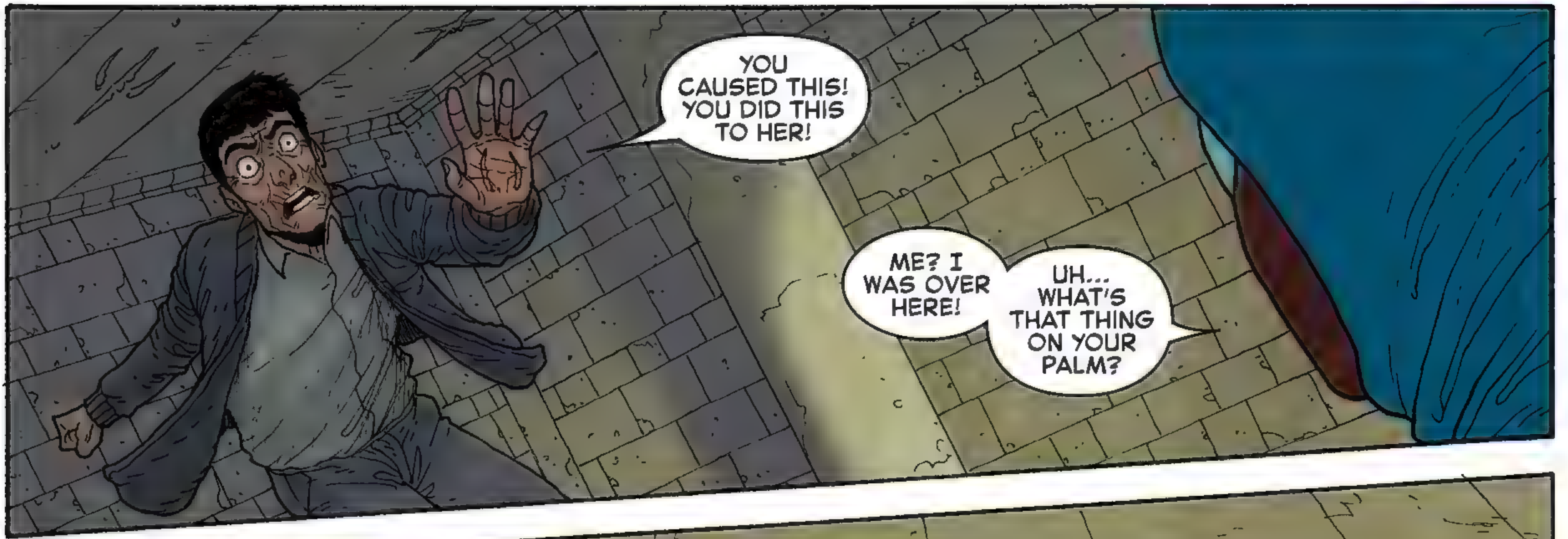












YOU
CAUSED THIS!
YOU DID THIS
TO HER!

ME? I
WAS OVER
HERE!

UH...
WHAT'S
THAT THING
ON YOUR
PALM?



WE
NEED TO
GO. RIGHT
NOW.

WHY?
BECAUSE
HE'S GOT
A NEW
TATTOO?

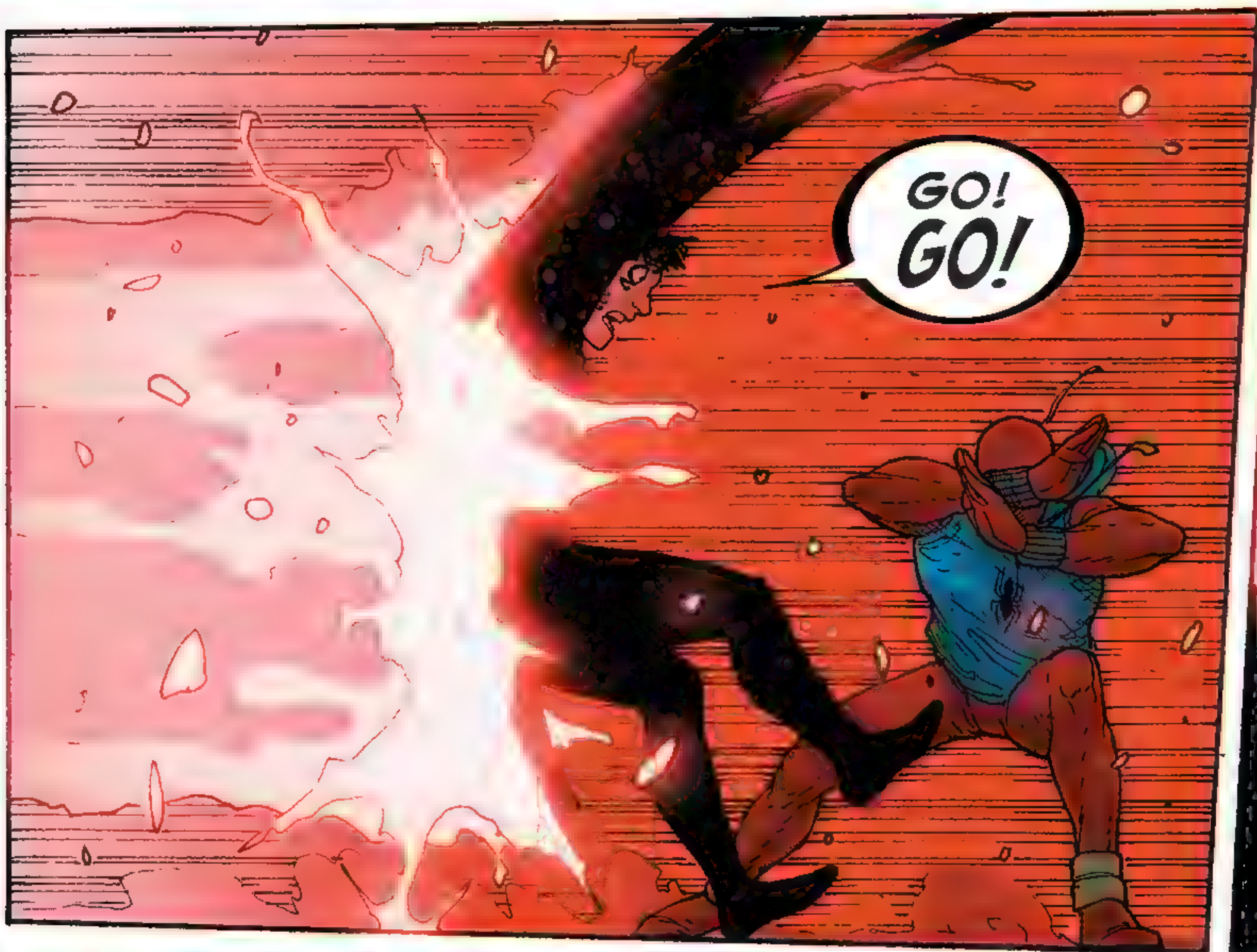


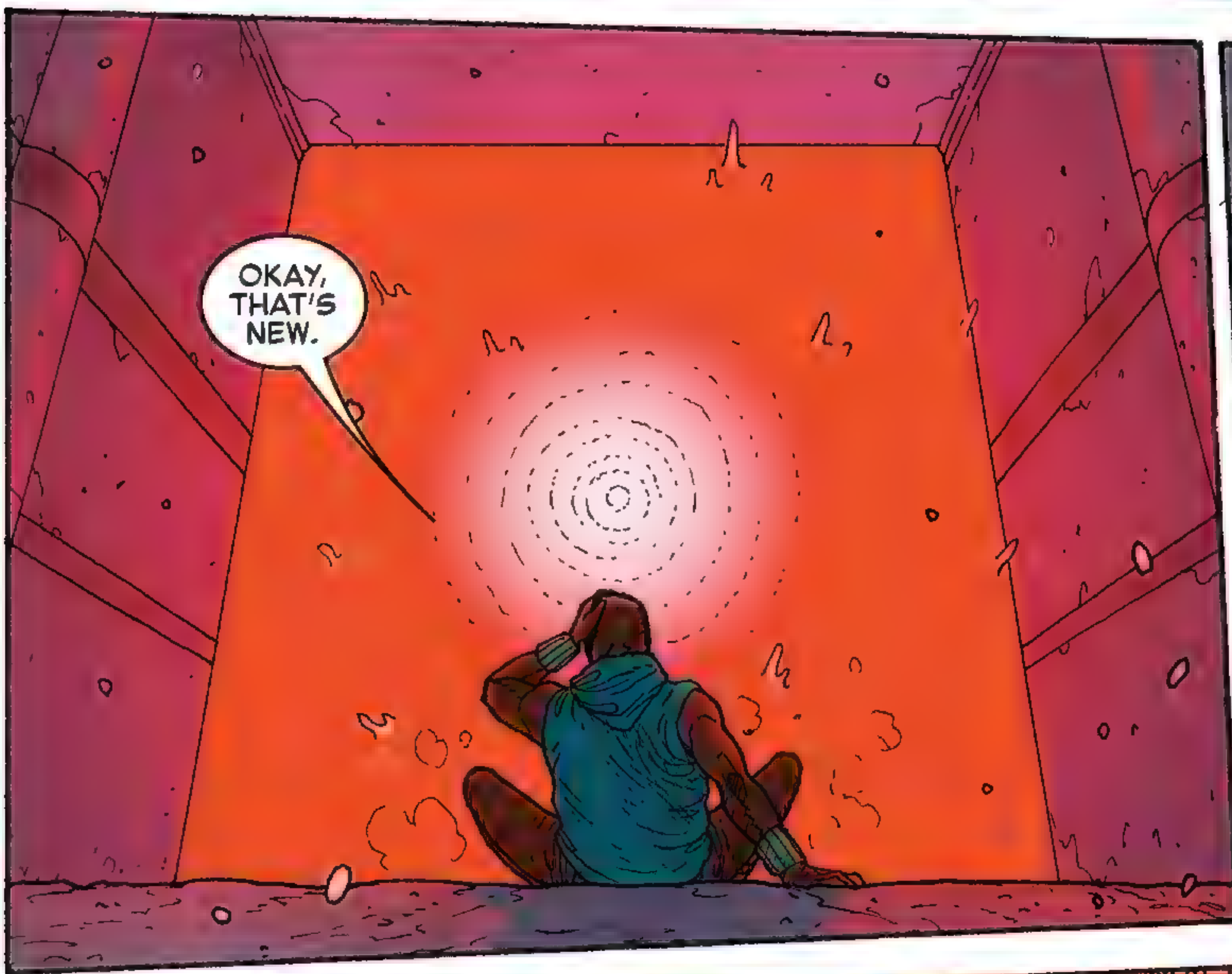
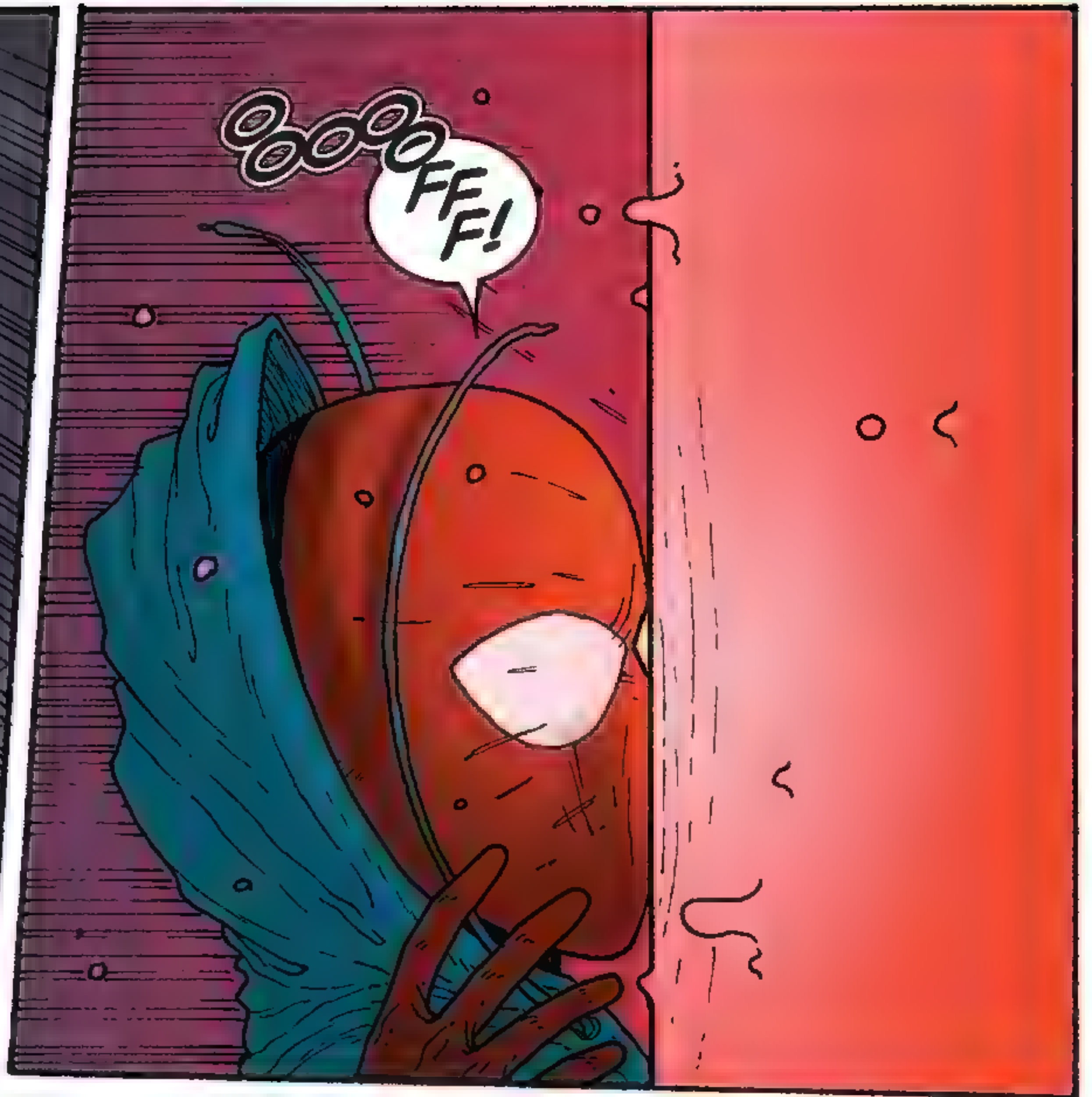
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CRAP!

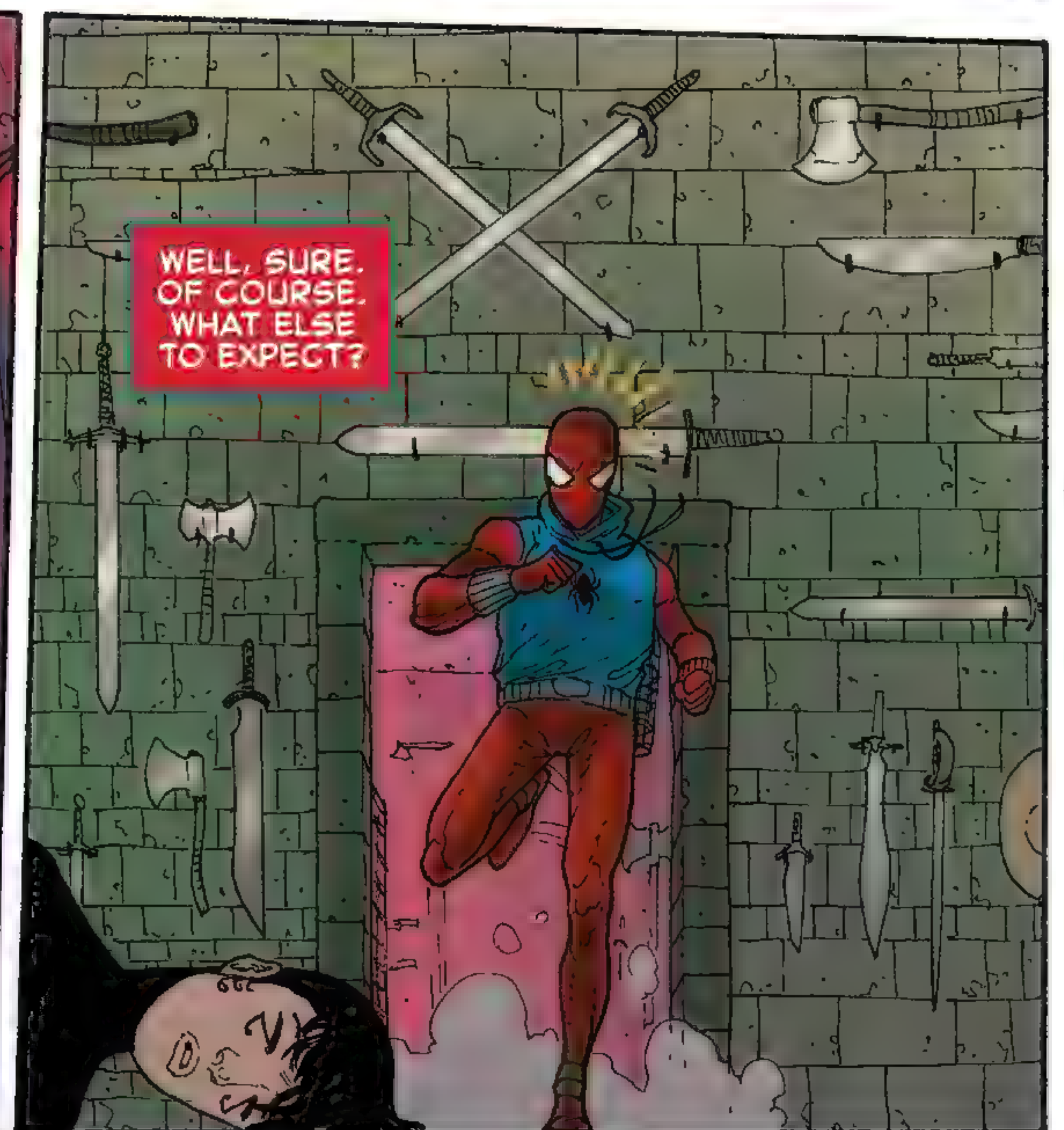
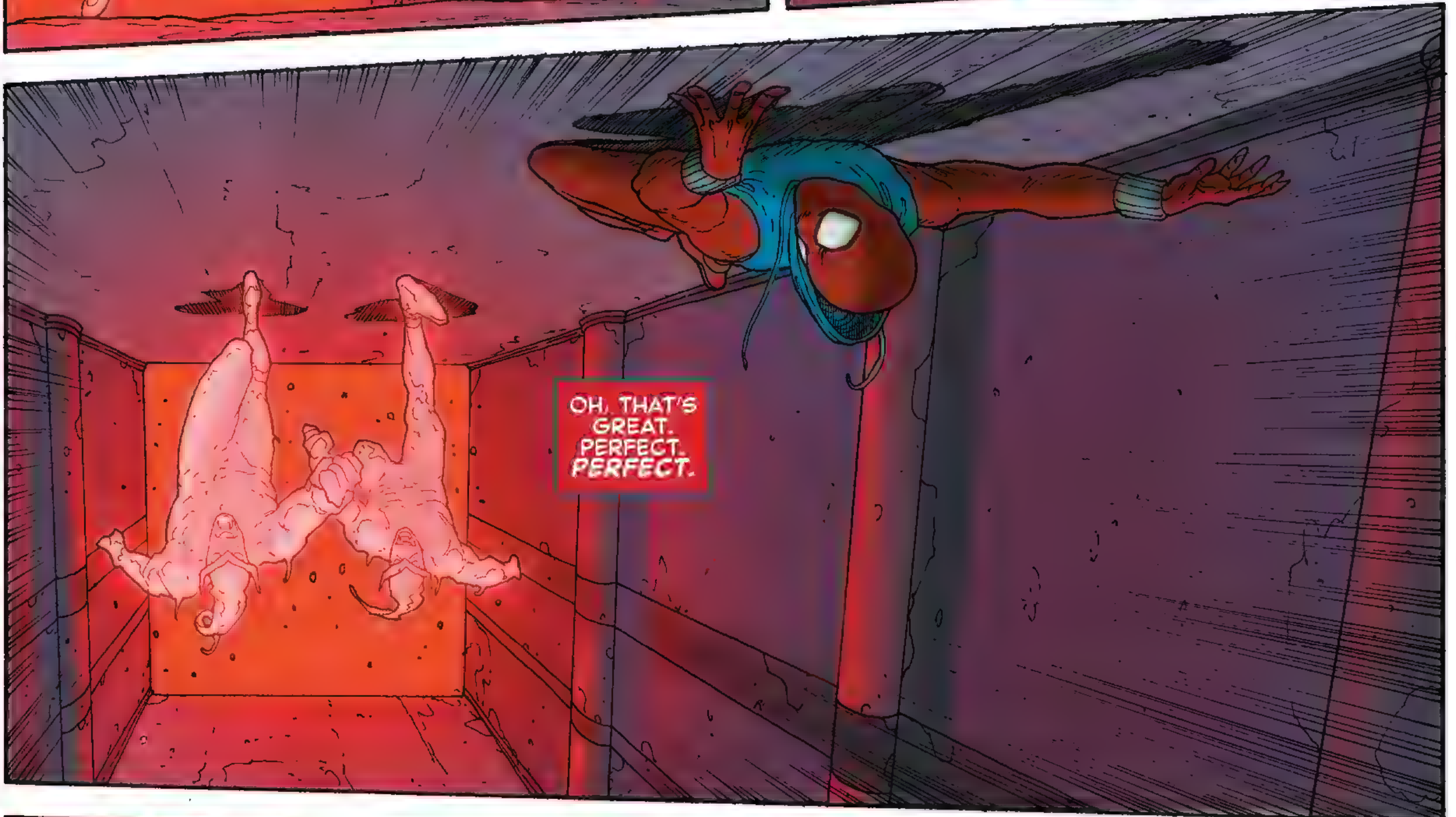
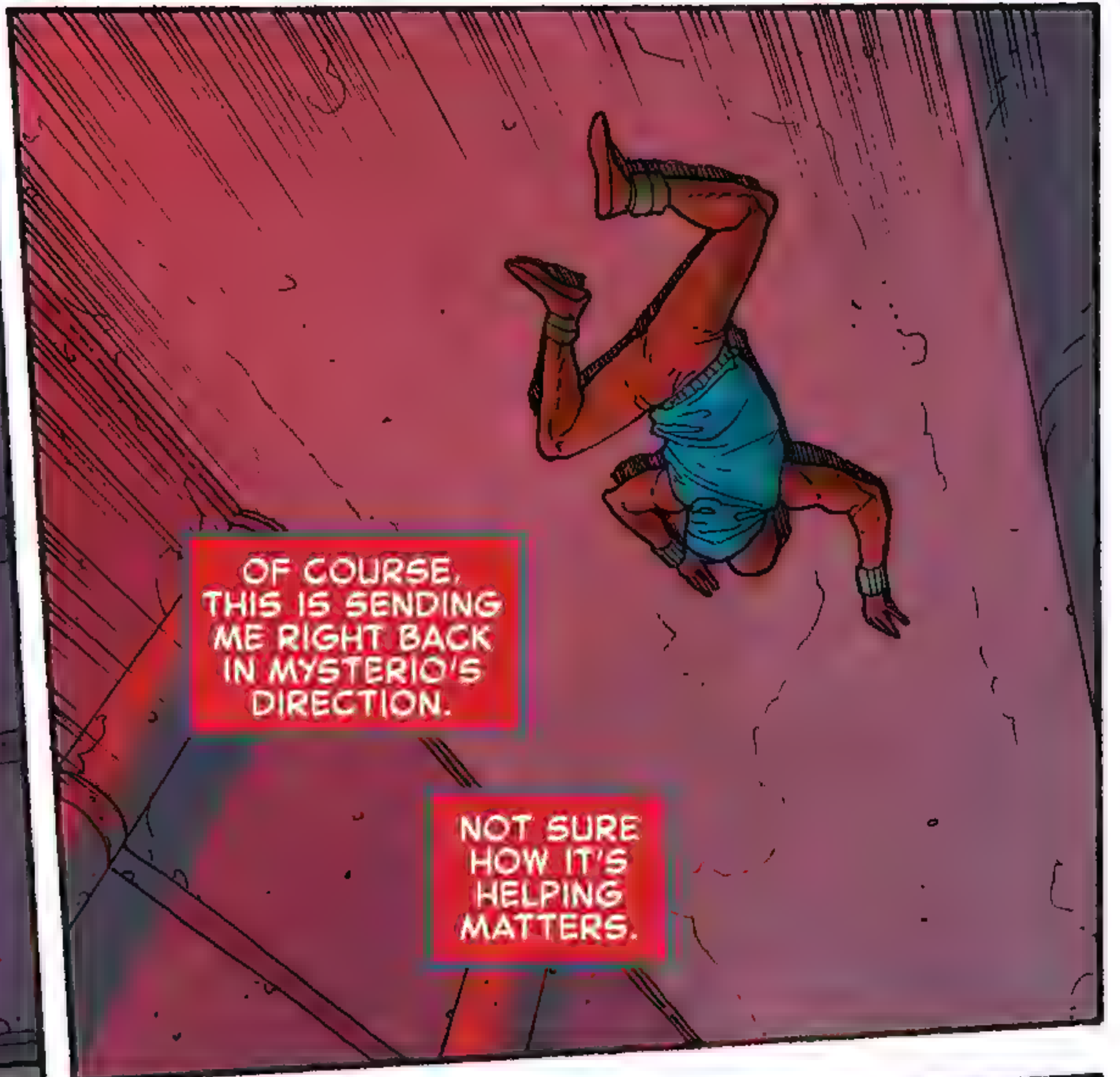
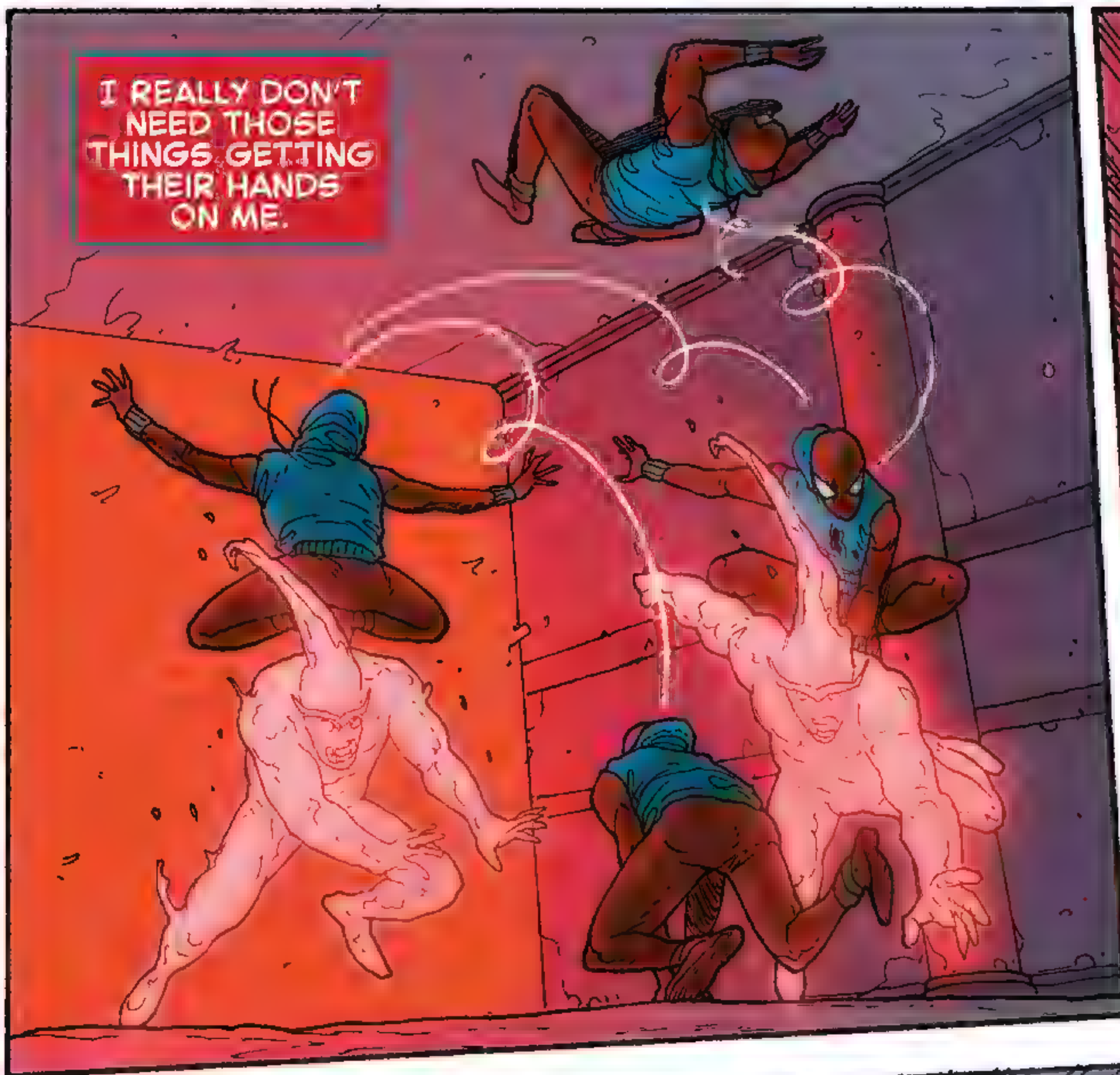
YOU'RE
GOING TO PAY
FOR MISTY'S
DEATH, WEB-
SPINNER.

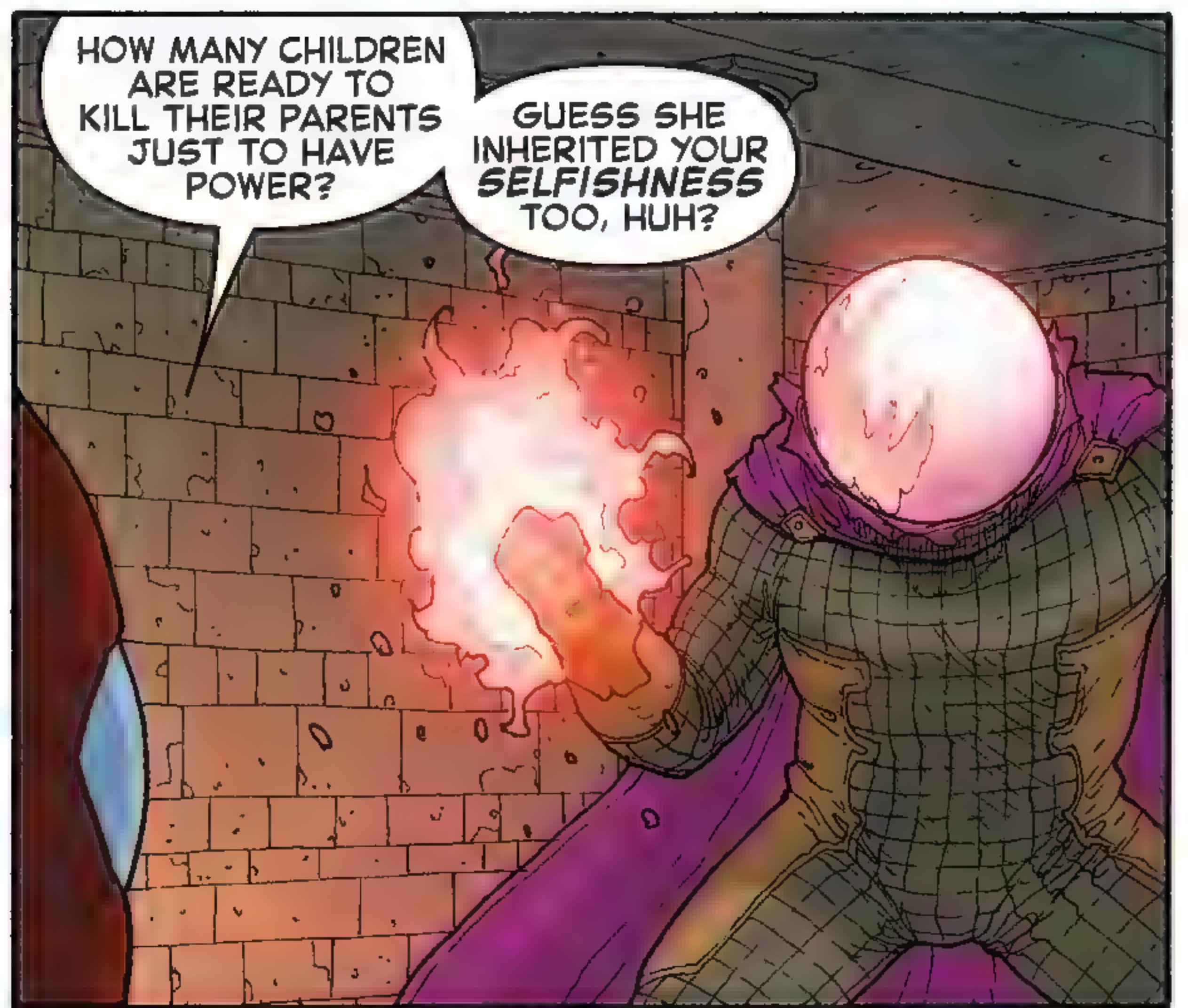
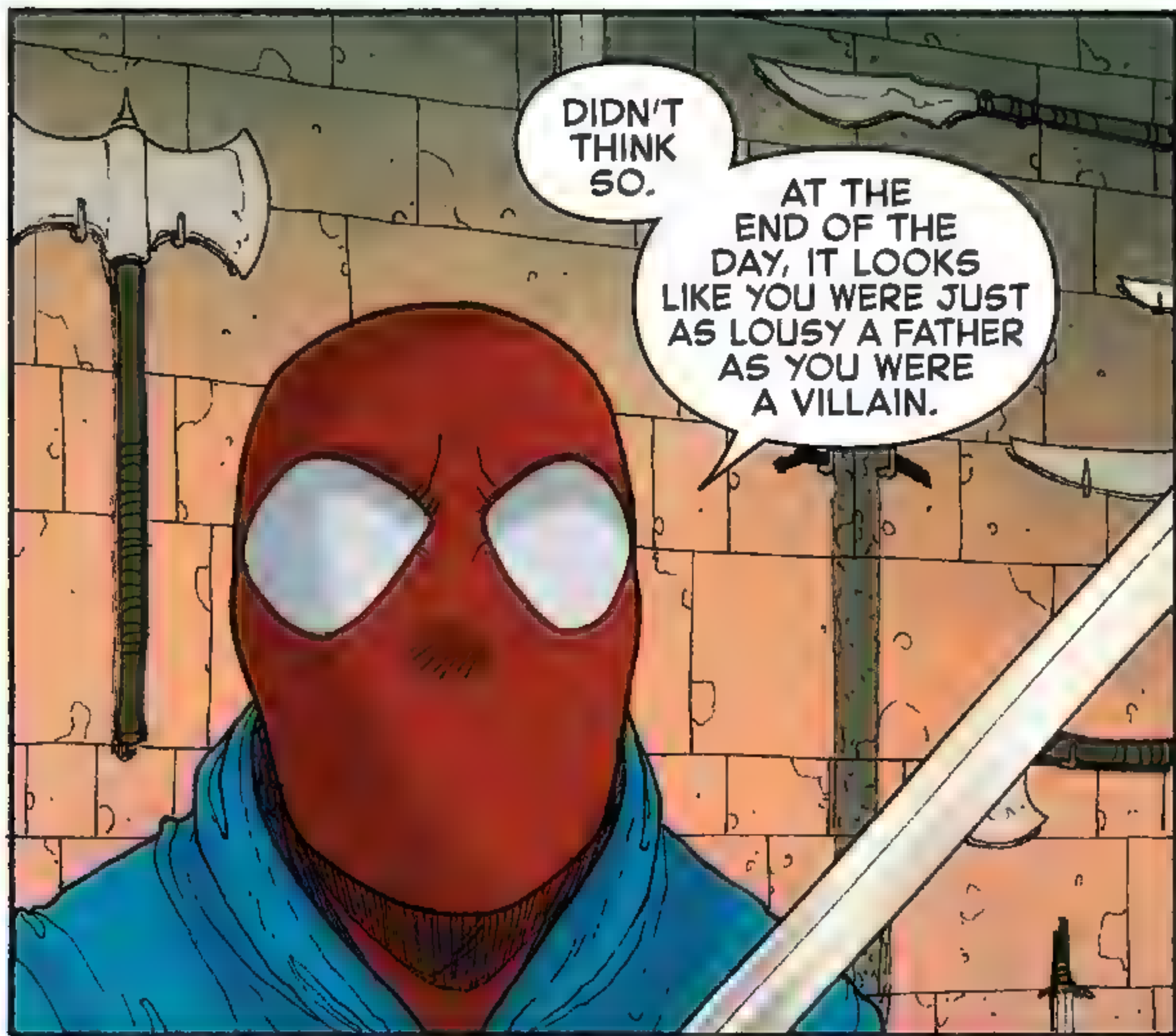
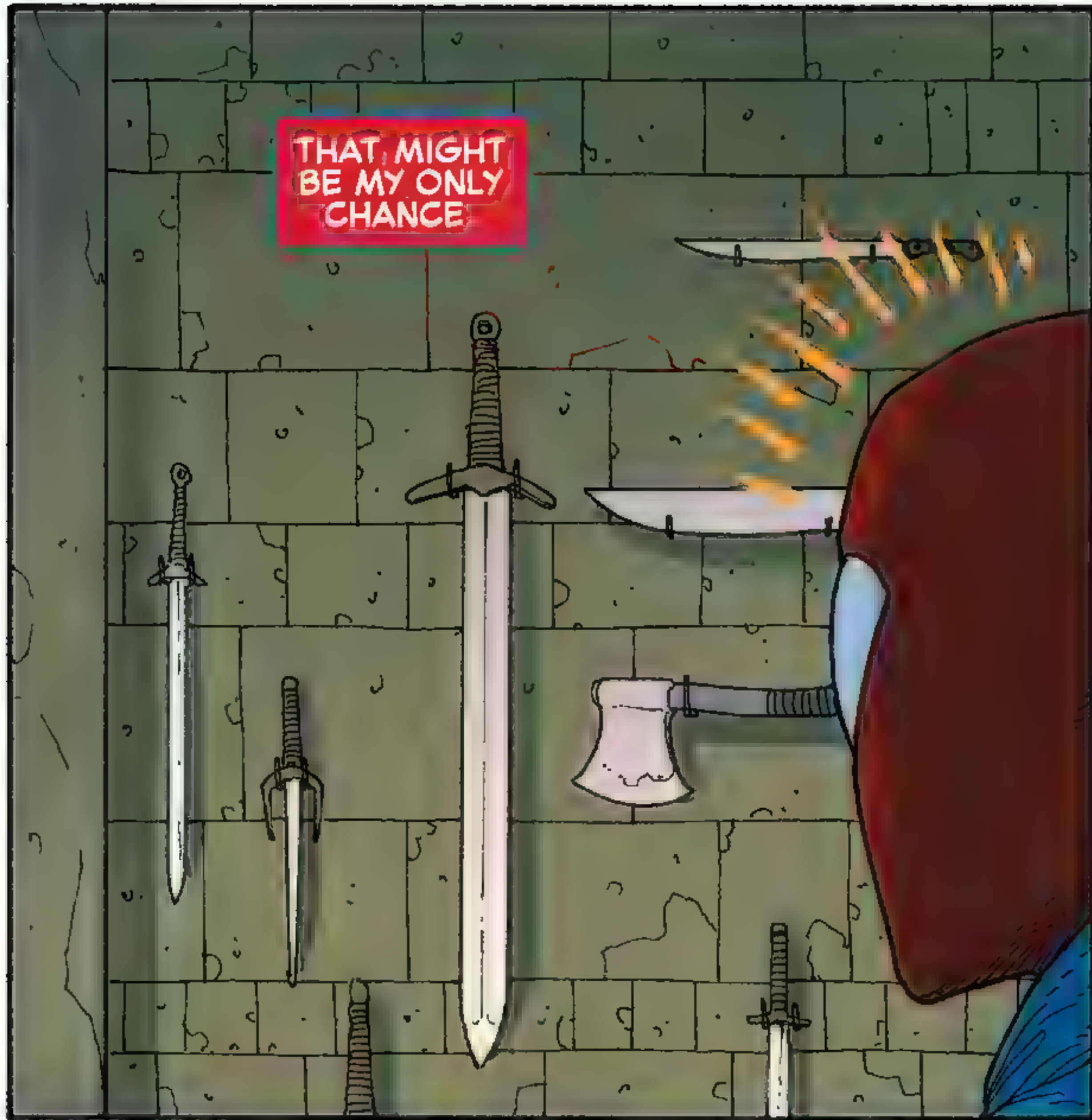
FIRST YOU!
AND THEN
SPIDER-MAN! AND
THEN EVERY OTHER
CREATURE THAT
WALKS OR
CRAWLS!

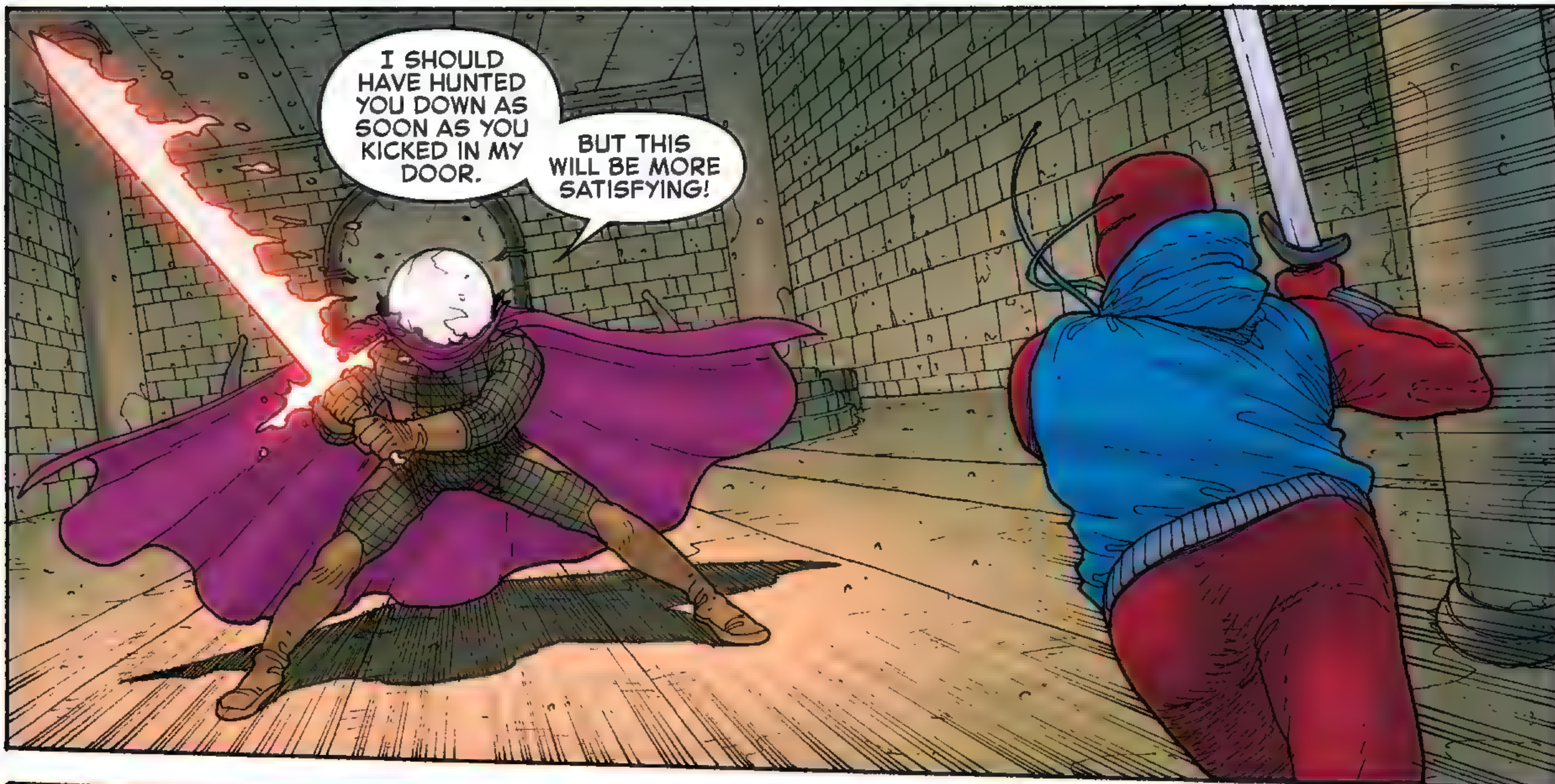












I SHOULD HAVE HUNTED YOU DOWN AS SOON AS YOU KICKED IN MY DOOR.

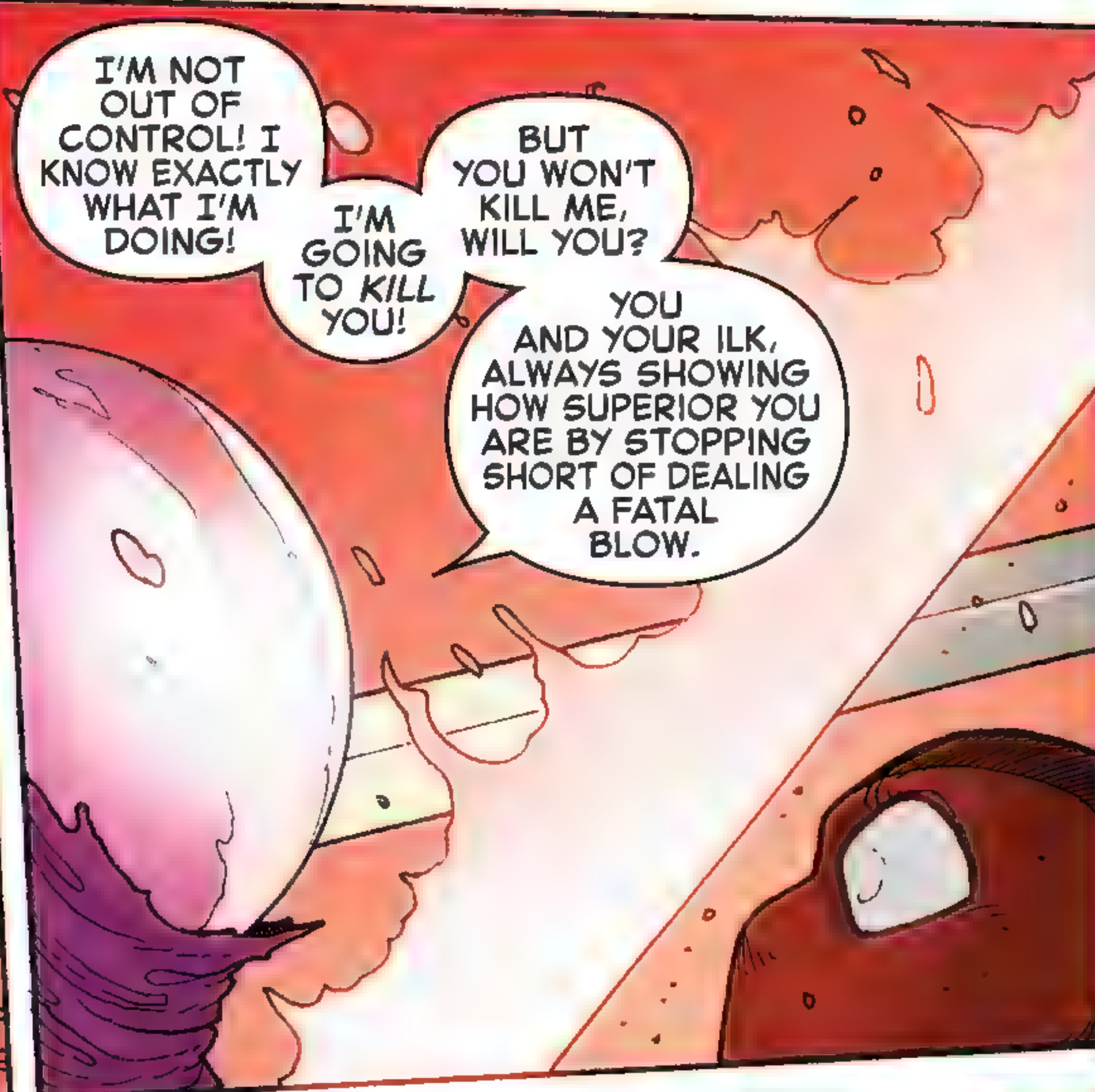
BUT THIS WILL BE MORE SATISFYING!



IT'S HOLDING UP TO HIS SWORD! I HOPED IT WOULD!

WHAT'S THE MATTER, BECK? THOUGHT YOU COULD SLICE RIGHT THROUGH THIS?

APPARENTLY CYTTORAK'S FOLLOWERS CREATED SOME WEAPONS TO HANDLE SOMEONE LIKE YOU WHO GOT OUT OF CONTROL!



I'M NOT OUT OF CONTROL! I KNOW EXACTLY WHAT I'M DOING!

I'M GOING TO KILL YOU!

BUT YOU WON'T KILL ME, WILL YOU?

YOU AND YOUR ILK, ALWAYS SHOWING HOW SUPERIOR YOU ARE BY STOPPING SHORT OF DEALING A FATAL BLOW.



YEAH. YOU'RE RIGHT.

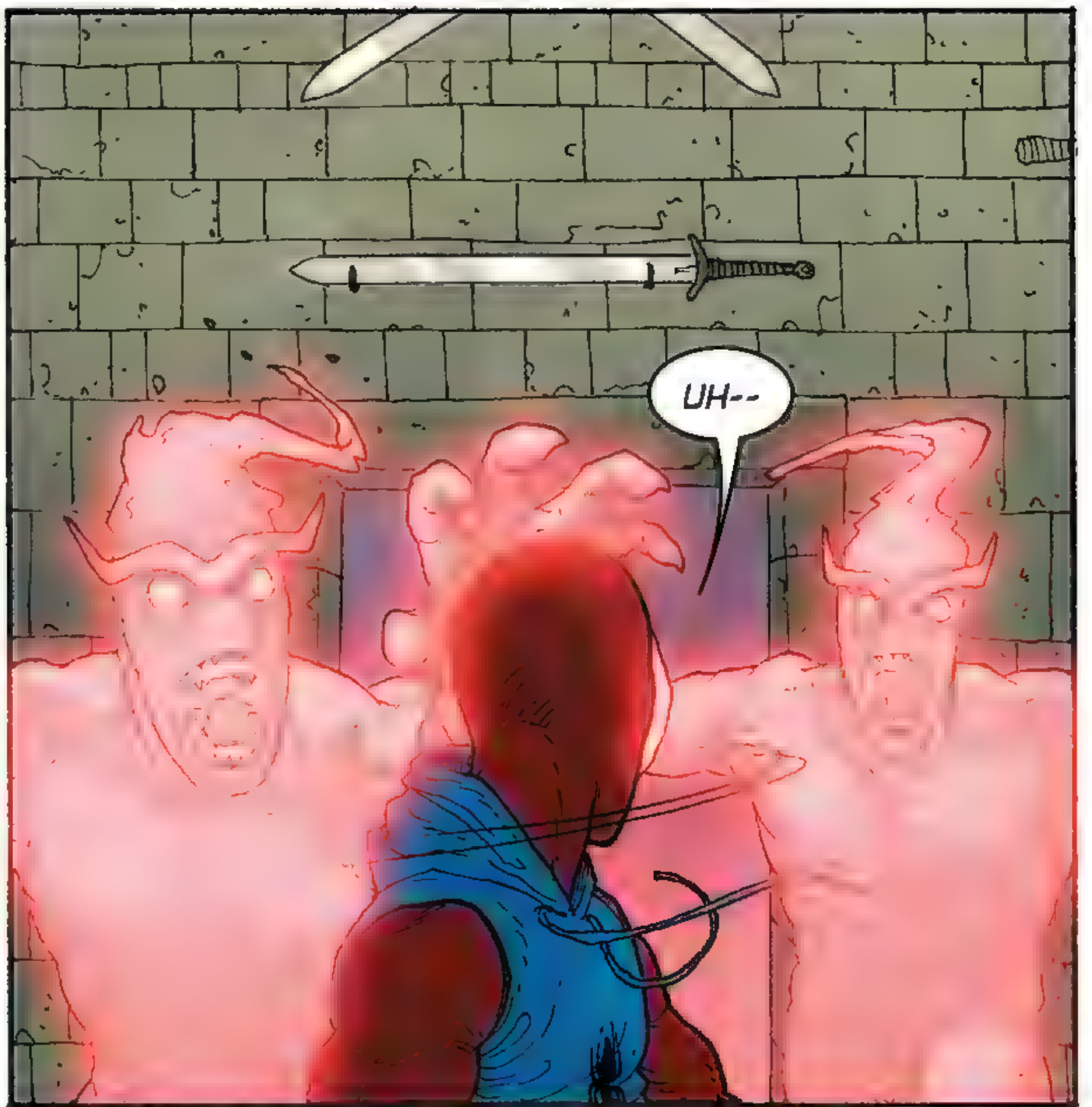
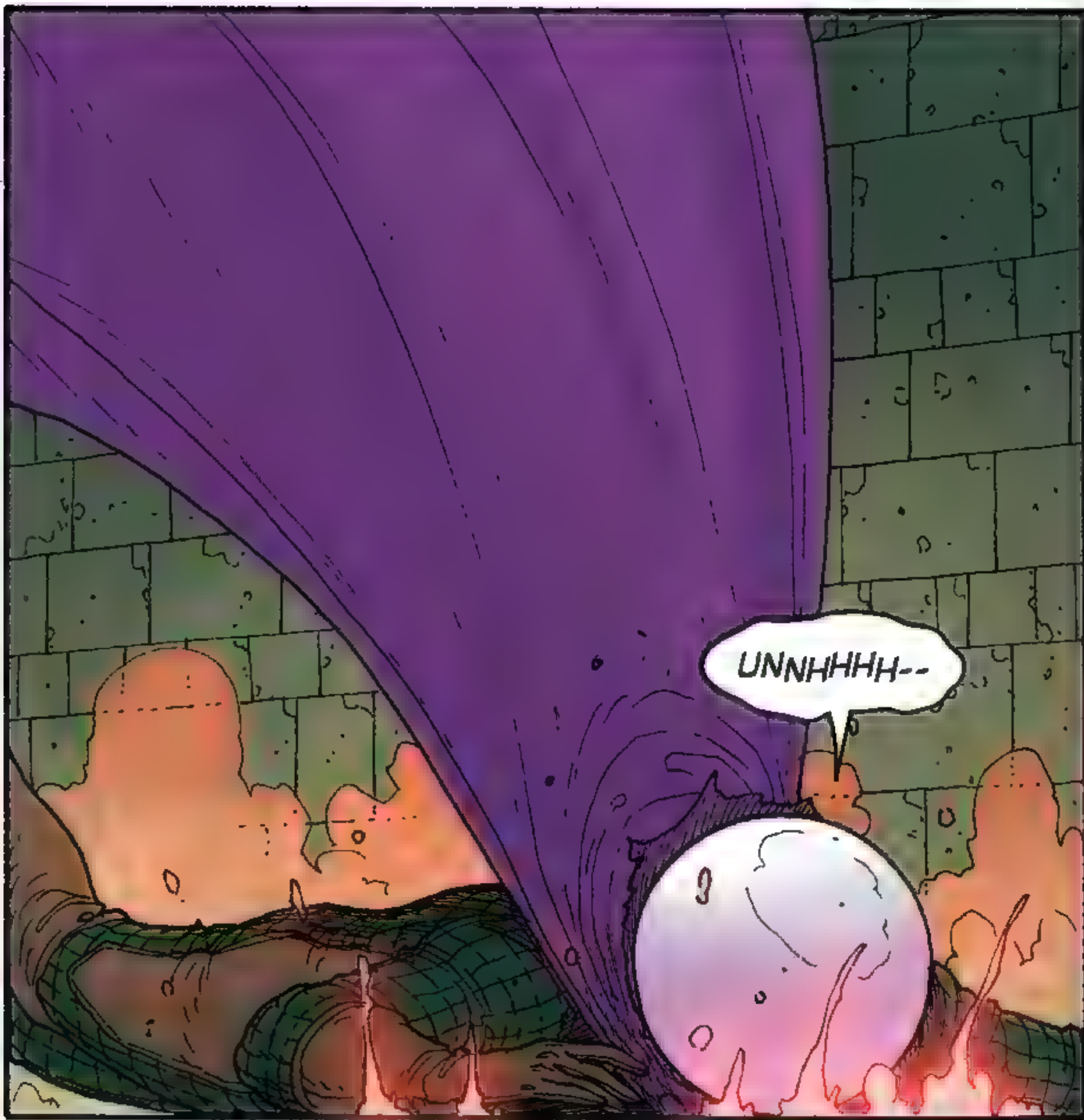
I WON'T KILL YOU.

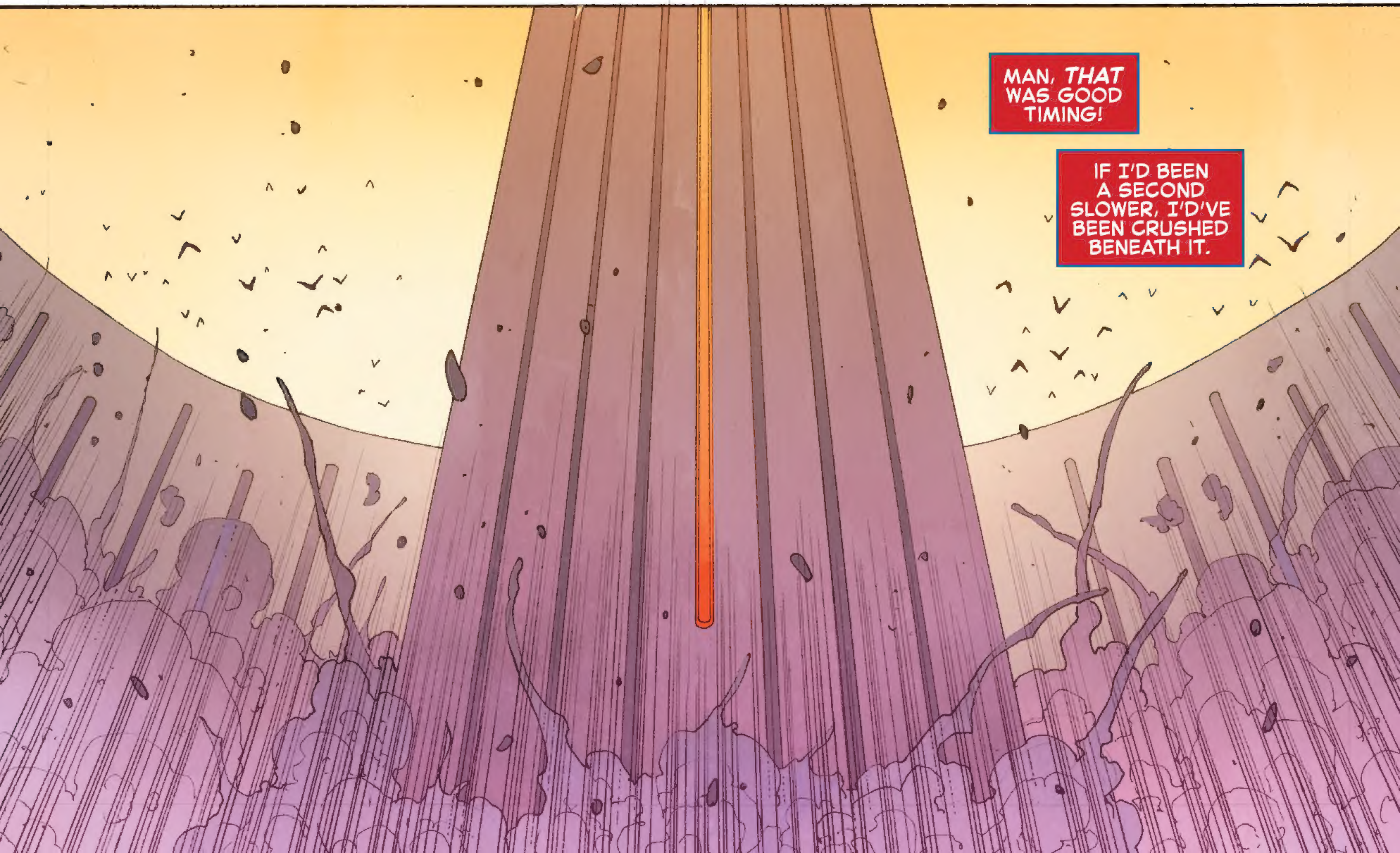
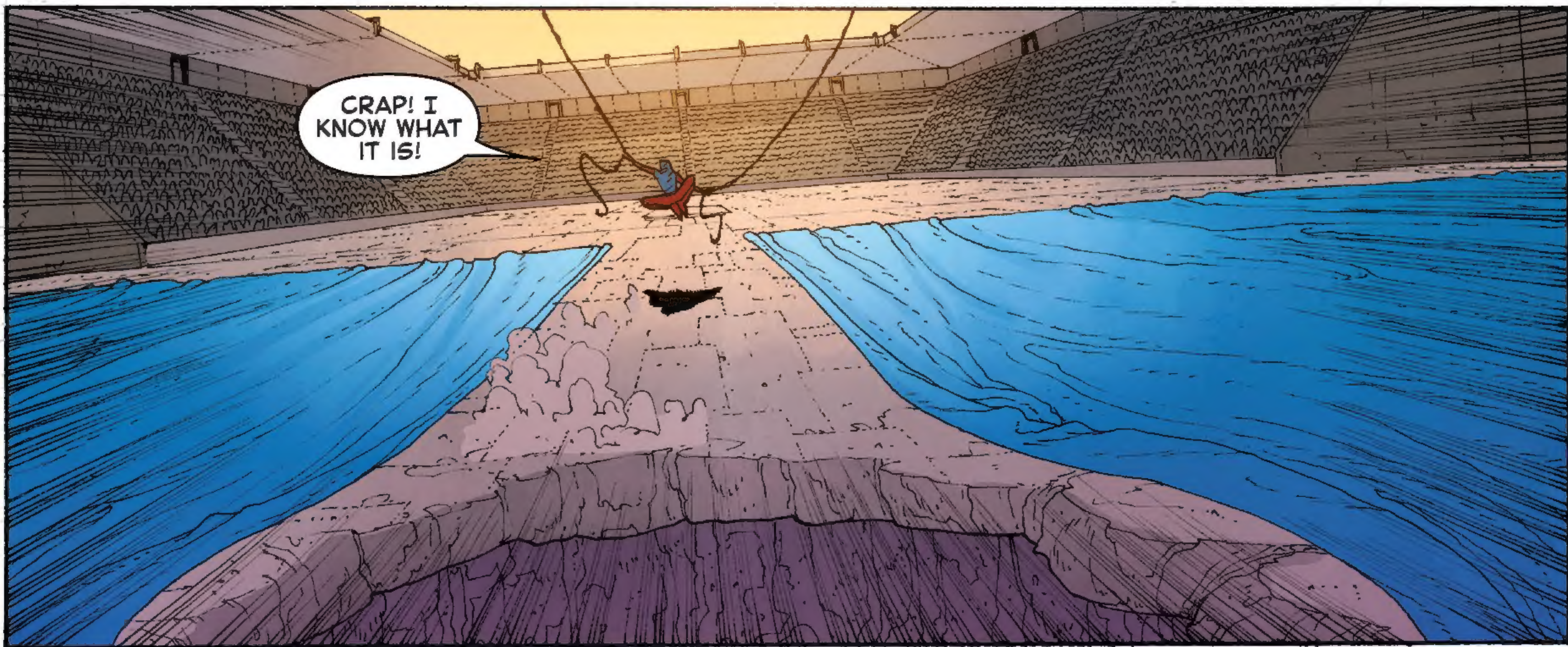
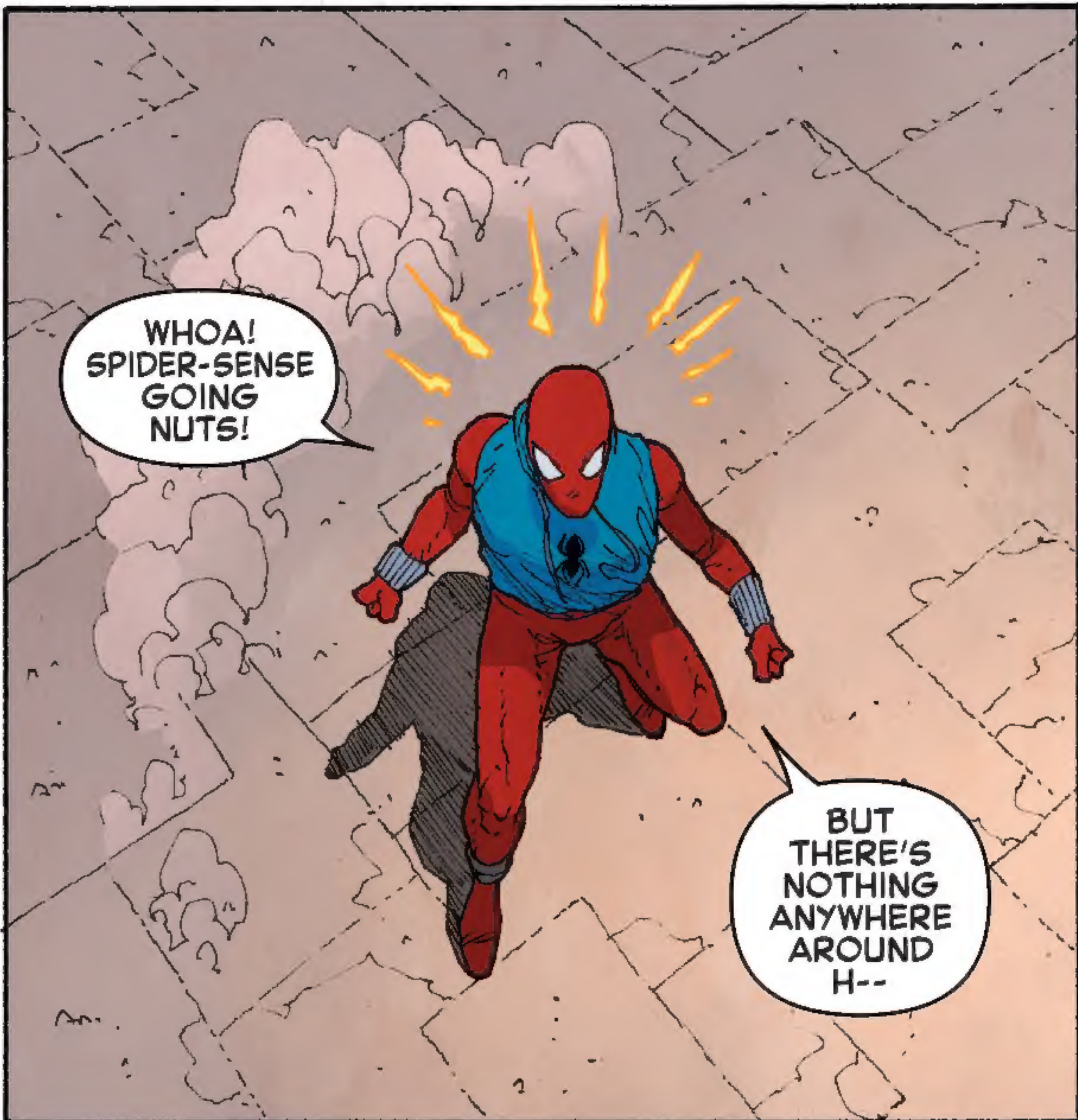
I'LL JUST
DISARM
YOU.

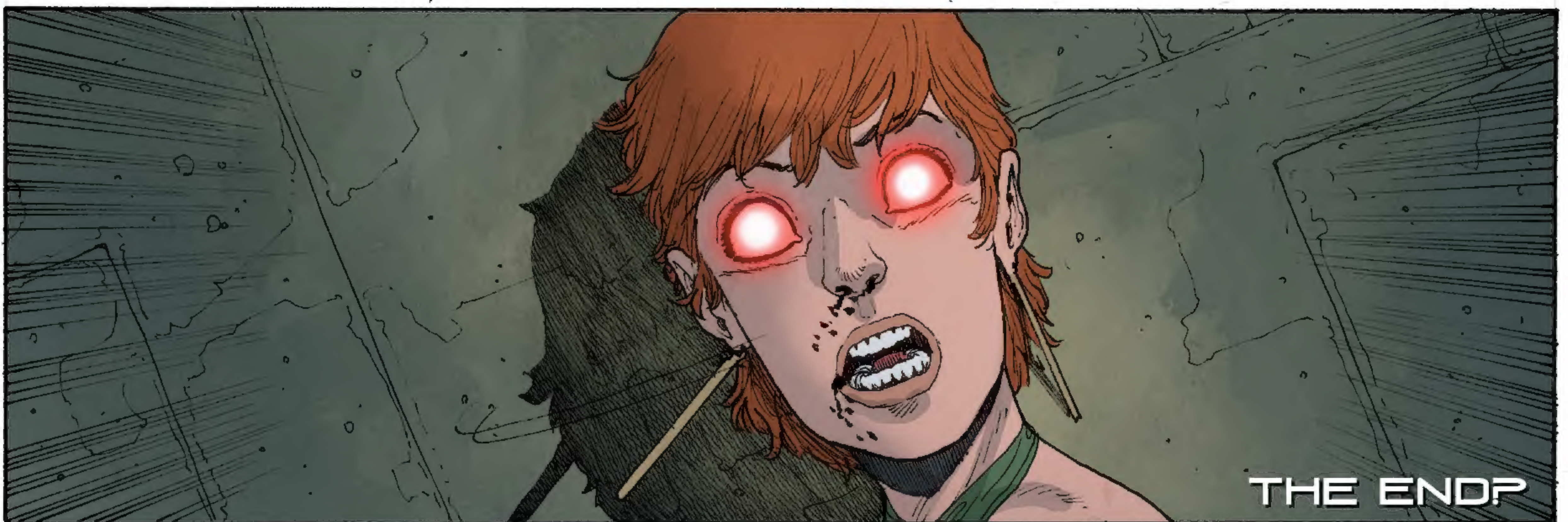
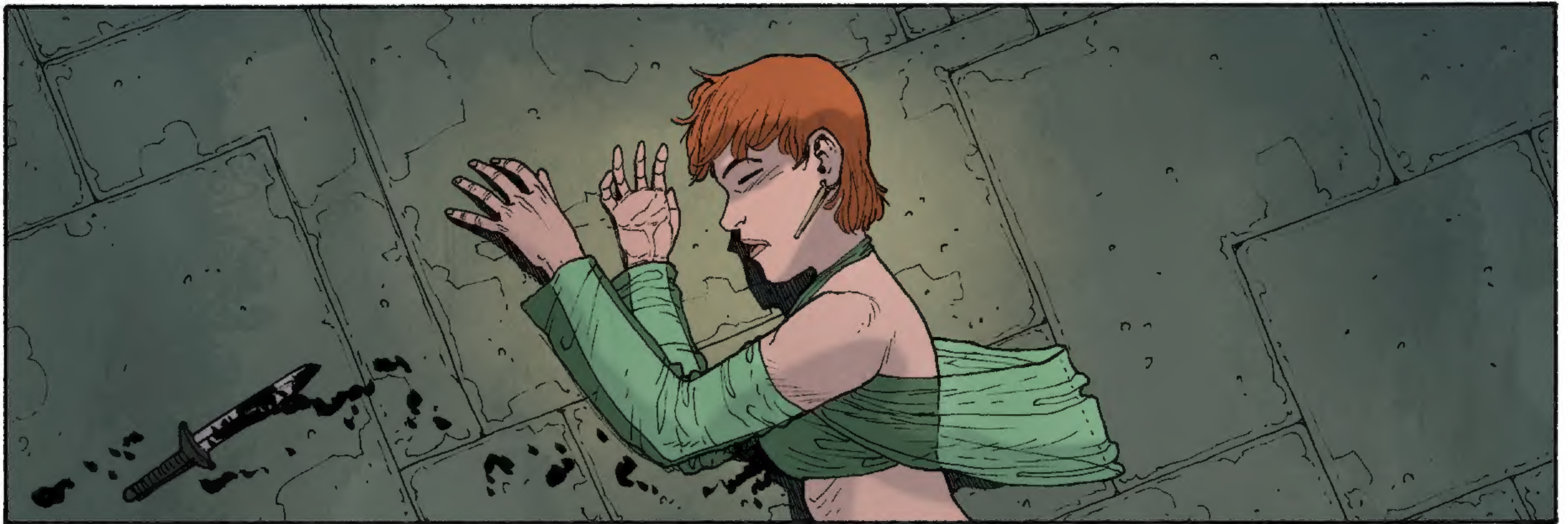
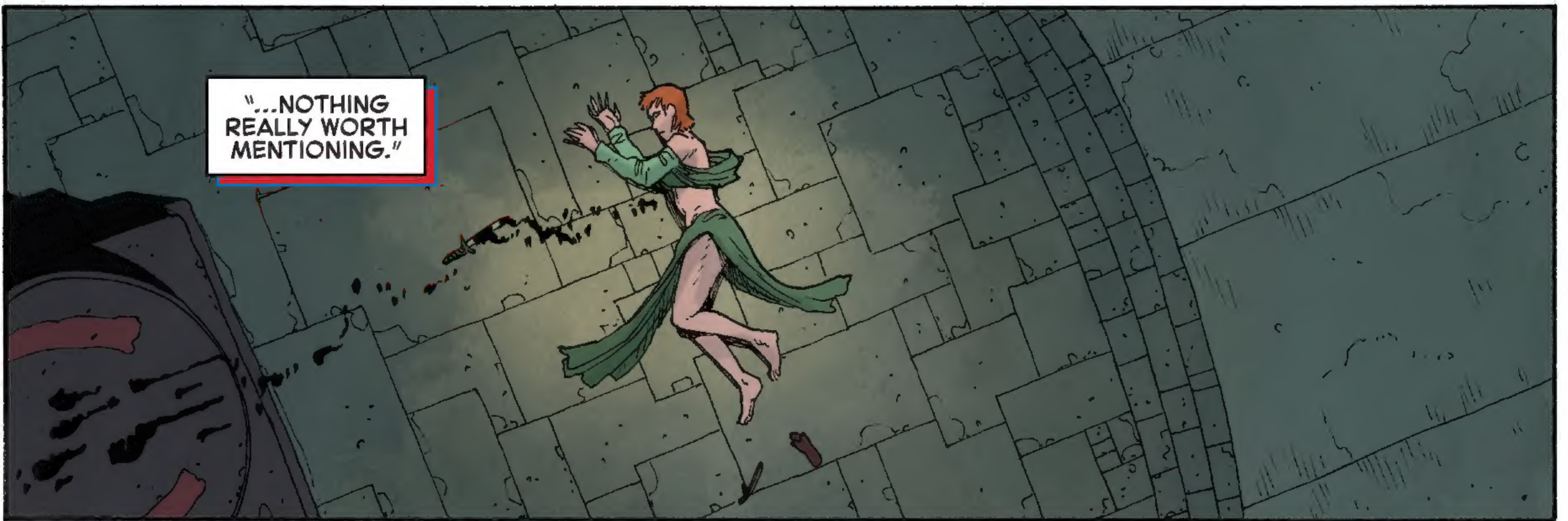
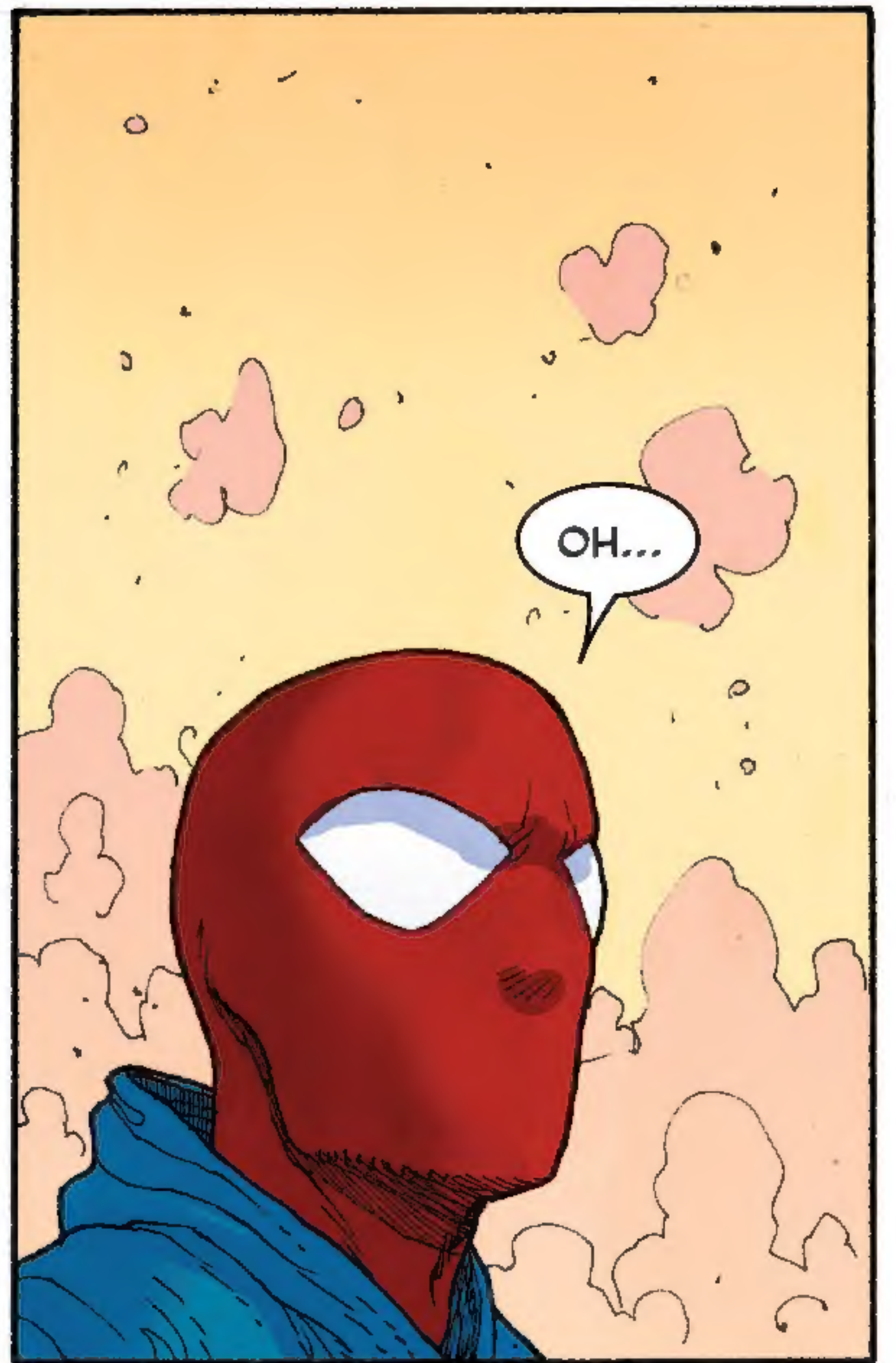
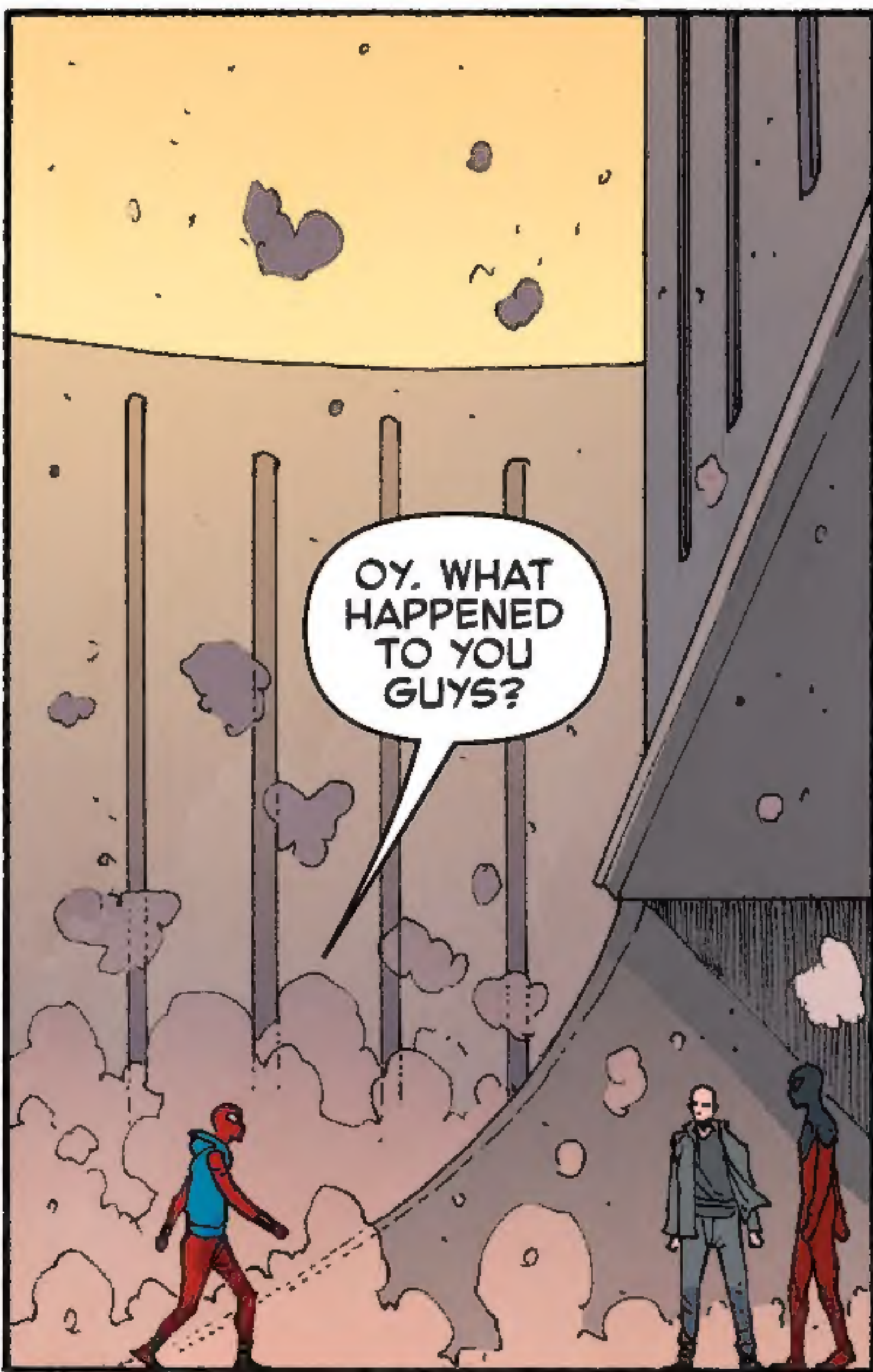
WELL,
DIS-HAND,
BUT YOU GET
THE IDEA.

**RRRR
HHH!**









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